

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE
OF
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons
OF
MINNESOTA.

AT THE FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

ST. PAUL, JANUARY 17 AND 18,
1906.

OFFICIATING:

M. W. HENRY M. TUSLER, St. Paul, Grand Master.
R. W. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

ELECTED AND INSTALLED:

M. W. THOMAS MORRIS, Crookston, Grand Master.
R. W. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL THE LODGES.

ST. PAUL, MINN.:
THE PIONEER PRESS MFG. DEPTS.,
1906.

OFFICERS GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF MINNESOTA.

Installed January 18, 1906.

ELECTED.

M. W. Bro. THOMAS MORRIS, Crookston.....Grand Master
R. W. Bro. GUSTAF WIDELL, Mankato.....Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. WM. P. ROBERTS, Minneapolis..Senior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. EUGENE E. SWAN, Stewart.....Junior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis..Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul..Grand Secretary

APPOINTED.

W. Bro. OWEN MORRIS, St. Paul.....Grand Orator
W. Bro. ALFRED G. PINKHAM, Owatonna.....Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. SHELDON L. FRAZER, Duluth.....Senior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. HORACE M. MYERS, Minneapolis.....Junior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. H. W. HENDRICKSON, Montevideo.....Grand Marshal
W. Bro. WILLIAM A. NOLAN, Grand Meadow..Grand Standard Bearer
W. Bro. EDWIN H. FOOT, Red Wing.....Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bro. W. C. MASTERMAN, Stillwater.....Senior Grand Steward
W. Bro. CHARLES W. STITES, Lake Benton...Junior Grand Steward
W. Bro. E. H. SHERWIN, Monticello.....Grand Pursuivant
W. Bro. CHAS. J. KRUGER, St. Paul.....Grand Tyler

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

IRVING TODD, Hastings. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.
GEORGE N. HOUGHTON, Minneapolis.

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

CHARLES GRISWOLD, North St. Paul, Chairman.
WILLIAM B. PATTON, Duluth. DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis.
WILLIAM R. SMITH, Benson. JOHN H. SPROUT, Blue Earth.

OFFICERS GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Installed October 10, 1905.

M. E. Comp. FREDERICK BLOOM, Woodstock....Grand High Priest
M. E. Comp. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.....Grand Secretary

OFFICERS GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

Installed October 9, 1905.

M. I. Comp. CHARLES S. SCHURMAN, St. Paul.....Grand Master
R. I. Comp. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.....Grand Recorder

OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Installed April 26, 1905.

R. E. Sir Knight E. P. SANBORN, St. Paul.....Grand Commander
E. Sir Knight E. M. VAN CLEVE, Minneapolis.....Grand Recorder

RULES FOR MASONIC DATES.

1. *Ancient Craft Masons*—Add 4000 to the current year, thus:
A. D. 1906+4000=A. L. (Anno Lucis—year of light) 5906.
2. *Royal Arch Masons*—Add 530 to the current year, thus: A. D.
1906+530=A. I. (Anno Inventionis—year of discovery) 2436.
3. *Royal and Select Masters*—Add 1000 to the current year, thus:
A. D. 1906+1000=A. Dep. (Anno Depositionis—year of deposit) 2906.
4. *Knights Templar*—Subtract 1118 from the current year, thus:
A. D. 1906-1118=A. O. (Anno Ordinis—year of the Order) 788.

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OF THE

M.: W.: Grand Lodge of A.: F.: & A.: M.:

OF MINNESOTA.

FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, Jan. 17, 1906.

The Fifty-third Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota was held in the Masonic Hall on Fifth street, in the City of St. Paul, commencing at high twelve on Wednesday, January 17, A. D. 1906, A.: L.: 5906.

All the Grand Officers were present, except the Grand Marshal. During the session 221 lodges were represented out of 241 on the roll.

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM by Grand Master Henry M. Tusler, the Grand Chaplain offering prayer.

Grand Secretary Montgomery appointed Bros. E. C. Shibley (191) and Chas. P. Montgomery (185) his assistants.

Visiting brethren were assigned to seats in the gallery.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee on Credentials: Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary, E. C. Shibley (191) and J. G. Houghton (4).

Proxies were called for and handed in to the committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

A roll of all brethren entitled to seats having been prepared by the Grand Secretary, those present, including proxies, were noted as he called the roll, and the committee, after reporting, were continued to make additions and corrections during the session. The following is their corrected report:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report that there are present, and entitled to seats, 16 Grand Officers, 17 permanent members, 16 District Deputy Grand Masters, and 380 Representatives of 221 out of 241 active chartered Lodges, including 110 proxies, as follows:

GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. Henry M. Tusler.....	Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Thomas Morris.....	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Gustaf Widell.....	Senior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. William P. Roberts.....	Junior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. David W. Knowlton.....	Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery.....	Grand Secretary
W. Bro. Elmer A. Kling.....	Grand Orator
W. Bro. Alfred G. Pinkham.....	Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. Eugene E. Swan.....	Senior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. Sheldon L. Frazer.....	Junior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. H. W. Hendrickson.....	Grand Standard Bearer
W. Bro. Edwin H. Foot.....	Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bro. William A. Nolan.....	Senior Grand Steward
W. Bro. W. C. Masterman.....	Junior Grand Steward
W. Bro. Charles W. Stites.....	Grand Pursuivant
W. Bro. Charles J. Kruger.....	Grand Tyler

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

Past Grand Masters—Chas. W. Nash, Chas. Griswold, Henry R. Wells, Henry R. Denny, Calvin L. Brown, Alonzo T. Stebbins, Alonzo Brandenburg, Gideon S. Ives, Ambrose D. Countryman, Henry R. Adams, Wm. P. McGonagle.

Past Deputy Grand Master—Chas. L. West.

Past Senior Grand Warden—Edgar Nash.

Past Junior Grand Wardens—Albert Marden, H. C. Shepard, Wm. B. Patton, James D. Markham.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

John Liddell, Curtis M. Johnson, Chas. L. Spaulding, J. W. Wright, Irving Todd, Harry Lee D'Arms, Wm. C. Odell, Harry F. Weis, John B. D. Wagner, W. A. Hawkins, Enos P. Dotson, Mark G. Fossum, A. A. Horton, L. A. Hanes, E. Woodbury, E. W. Rossman, Geo. M. Warren.

REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES, 1906.

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| No. 1. | St. Johns..... | Frederick W. Gail, W.· M.·
J. Q. Mackintosh, proxy for S.· W.·
Gilbert W. Davis, J.· W.· |
| 2. | Cataract | Frank L. Gowen, W.· M.·
J. L. Fournie, S.· W.·
Frank J. Meyst, J.· W.· |
| 3. | St. Paul..... | Milton S. Mead, W.· M.·
Frederick J. Leacey, S.· W.·
Fenton G. Warner, J.· W.· |
| 4. | Hennepin | John J. Bullis, W.· M.·
J. G. Houghton, proxy for S.· W.·
Horace M. Weston, J.· W.· |
| 5. | Ancient Landmark. | John K. Robinson, W.· M.·
Lawrence Hope, proxy for S.· W.·
A. P. Swanstrom, proxy for J.· W.· |
| 7. | Dakota | C. E. Reed, W.· M.·
I. M. Radabaugh, S.· W.·
Irving Todd, proxy for J.· W.· |
| 8. | Red Wing..... | Hugo J. Herder, W.· M.·
C. B. Johnson, S.· W.·
Chas. A. Swanson, proxy for J.· W.· |
| 9. | Faribault | O. M. Henderson, W.· M.·
W. H. Robilliard, S.· W.·
D. E. Goodman, proxy for J.· W.· |
| 11. | Mantorville | J. M. F. Cooper, W.· M.·
Levi Spurbeck, S.· W.· |
| 12. | Mankato | Frederick L. Searing, W.· M.·
A. J. Eberhart, proxy for J.· W.· |
| 14. | Wapahasa | W. W. Dady, proxy for W.· M.·
Jos. Buisson, proxy for S.· W.· |
| 16. | Monticello | Herbert N. Clarey, W.· M.·
Chas. S. Strout, S.· W.·
E. H. Sherwin, proxy for J.· W.· |
| 17. | Hokah | Not represented. |
| 18. | Winona | John L. Krogstad, W.· M.·
Frank E. Gartside, S.· W.· |
| 19. | Minneapolis | Horace M. Myers, proxy for W.· M.· |

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- No. 19. Minneapolis.....John A. Schlener, S. W.
Arthur M. Chesher, J. W.
20. CaledoniaC. L. Metcalf, S. W.
21. RochesterO. C. Heyerdale, S. W.
A. W. Stinchfield, proxy for J. W.
22. Pleasant Grove....C. L. Denny, W. M.
L. D. Page, J. W.
23. North Star.....Chas. S. Benson, W. M.
Alfred H. Leimbacher, S. W.
James R. Bennett, Jr., J. W.
24. WiltonNot represented.
26. Western Star.....N. C. Sorenson, proxy for W. M.
L. A. Hanes, proxy for S. W.
27. Blue Earth Valley..Frank E. Cady, W. M.
A. Milne, proxy for S. W.
28. Clear Water.....C. D. Whittemore, proxy for W. M.
29. Morning Star.....Addis Luther, W. M.
John Welch, S. W.
30. AnokaP. G. Woodward, W. M.
John P. McGinty, S. W.
O. F. Warnes, proxy for J. W.
31. King Hiram.....Chas. E. Morrell, S. W.
32. SakatahBert L. Blair, proxy for W. M.
33. Star in the East....H. W. Vinton, S. W.
A. B. Stewart, J. W.
34. OrientalEdward A. Dibble, W. M.
Fred W. Scofield, S. W.
36. PrestonH. R. Wells, proxy for W. M.
37. Mystic Tie.....Not represented.
38. WashingtonD. C. Smith, W. M.
E. H. Catlin, S. W.
39. FidelityM. O. Anderson, W. M.
40. CarnelianA. W. Corwin, W. M.
41. HermonT. R. Watson, W. M.
C. A. Haskins, J. W.
42. HopeHarold J. Nelson, W. M.
R. S. Miles, proxy for S. W.
43. HarmonyNot represented.
44. King Solomon....C. G. Bowdish, S. W.
45. Union.....M. P. Curtis, W. M.
W. H. Tomlinson, S. W.
H. F. Weis, proxy for J. W.
46. EvergreenN. G. Bain, W. M.
47. ConcordW. C. Davis, W. M.
48. SocialJ. M. Walden, W. M.
W. A. Hunt, S. W.

- No. 49. Rising Sun.....Emil W. Henbach, W. M. M.
 50. WatertownO. W. Mapes, proxy for W. M. M.
 51. AcaciaIrving T. Morey, W. M. M.
 52. Cannon River..... George Molm, W. M. M.
 J. C. Temple, proxy for S. W. M.
 L. M. Hollister, proxy for J. W. M.
 54. NicolletJames Bennett, proxy for W. M. M.
 55. ZionNot represented.
 56. MeridianWm. Strafford, W. M. M.
 57. Blue Earth City....Frank V. Cummings, proxy for W. M. M.
 J. H. Sprout, proxy for S. W. M. and
 J. W. M.
 58. Spring Valley.....Burdett Thayer, W. M. M.
 59. TempleW. W. Sivright, W. M. M.
 W. E. Sivright, proxy for S. W. M.
 60. Star in the West...Chas. A. Morse, W. M. M.
 61. AshlerI. D. Thompson, proxy for W. M. M.
 62. StarWm. Jacobs, W. M. M.
 63. IllustriousJay F. Thompson, W. M. M.
 H. D. Smith, proxy for S. W. M.
 G. R. Hall, proxy for J. W. M.
 64. Chain Lake.....Wm. Bird, Jr., W. M. M.
 66. MadeliaNot represented.
 67. CorinthianChas. B. Whittier, W. M. M.
 Arthur K. Gray, S. W. M.
 69. Mystic Star.....W. F. Drake, W. M. M.
 71. PaynesvilleH. A. Wells, proxy for W. M. M.
 72. Lansing⁺.....Herbert R. Soule, W. M. M.
 75. EurekaChas. S. Harden, W. M. M.
 76. JoppaOscar M. Reynolds, W. M. M.
 77. TuscanO. J. Lawson, proxy for W. M. M.
 78. Mystic Circle.....Harvey Harris, proxy for W. M. M.
 79. PalestineChas. A. Bronson, W. M. M.
 Jas. A. Crawford, S. W. M.
 80. HendersonA. L. Poehler, W. M. M.
 81. ConstellationW. B. Mitson, W. M. M.
 82. HowardA. G. Moffatt, W. M. M.
 83. Hiram Abi.....O. W. Schultz, W. M. M.
 84. OrientTaylor Robinson, W. M. M.
 85. High Forest.....E. H. Englehart, W. M. M.
 F. R. Englehart, proxy for S. W. M.
 86. TyrianJohn McCabe, W. M. M.
 A. R. Hawkinson, S. W. M.
 87. DoricG. M. Miller, W. M. M.
 M. L. Thompson, proxy for S. W. M.
 89. Golden Fleece.....John W. Johnson, W. M. M.

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- No. 89. Golden Fleece.....Nels E. Anderson, S. W.
Albert J. Hanson, J. W.
90. Good Faith.....John Burnham, W. M.
Harry M. Burnham, S. W.
Alex Fiddes, proxy for J. W.
91. AntiquityO. L. Dornberg, W. M.
92. FraternalJulian F. Zimmerman, W. M.
Thos. L. Armitage, S. W.
Levi Annis, proxy for J. W.
93. UnityG. A. Chilgren, W. M.
L. L. Sartell, proxy for S. W.
94. KeystoneE. G. Hansen, S. W.
95. SherburneF. D. Waterman, W. M.
96. LibanusM. G. Fossum, W. M.
97. PrudenceNels Anderson, W. M.
T. E. Dickey, proxy for S. W.
98. CharityWm. B. Mather, S. W.
99. Corner Stone.....C. L. Hilton, W. M.
J. T. Johnson, proxy for S. W.
100. AuroraGeo. O. Whitney, W. M.
101. FraternityWilliam E. Bloom, W. M.
Chas. M. Crandall, S. W.
102. LebanonW. H. Travis, proxy for W. M.
103. BethelJohn J. Hughes, S. W.
Chas. Evans, J. W.
104. SharonNot represented.
106. Mount Tabor.....Chasper Wackman, S. W.
108. ReliefGus Crail, W. M.
J. W. Rhodes, proxy for S. W.
F. C. Bey, proxy for J. W.
109. SunsetJohn Peterson, W. M.
110. PickwickWm. H. Harrington, W. M.
Ernest A. Gross, S. W.
111. CarverJacob Bristle, W. M.
O. C. Brunins, proxy for S. W.
112. KhurumFred W. Webber, W. M.
S. B. Washburn, proxy for J. W.
113. ExcelsiorGeo. P. Dickinson, W. M.
Chas. A. Speedy, J. W.
114. Ben Franklin.....Chas. A. Palmer, W. M.
115. ElginR. L. Wood, W. M.
116. LafayetteJ. N. Thatcher, W. M.
D. L. Tanner, proxy for S. W.
117. GraniteB. C. Schram, W. M.
118. NewportJ. M. Trickey, W. M.
John Churchill, proxy for S. W.

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- No. 118. Newport..... Frank Tibbits, proxy for J. W.
119. Delta S. C. Whitmore, W. M.
J. P. Leister, proxy for J. W.
121. Grand Meadow..... Geo. A. Wright, W. M.
Geo. A. Covell, proxy for S. W.
W. A. Nolan, proxy for J. W.
122. Kellogg Claude F. Magren, W. M.
Paul Miller, proxy for S. W.
John Wolfe, proxy for J. W.
123. Prairie Geo. E. Johnson, S. W.
124. Janesville M. A. Devereaux, W. M.
125. Winslow Lewis..... Fred Biederman, W. M.
126. Moorhead J. Pierce Wolfe, proxy for S. W.
A. J. Rosenquist, J. W.
128. Josephus J. M. Sprague, S. W.
T. B. Taylor, J. W.
129. Swift Wilbert Fallis, W. M.
Orin Kinney, S. W.
131. Alma A. B. Anderson, proxy for W. M.
132. Humboldt Aug. F. Truwe, proxy for W. M.
Henry Vogler, Sr., S. W.
Merton B. Hogle, J. W.
133. Golden Sheaf..... Ole C. Hanson, W. M.
W. P. Fowler, proxy for S. W.
J. W. Eddy, proxy for J. W.
134. Cokato G. W. Dalquist, W. M.
135. Nelson Harry S. Saylor, W. M.
Lester Bartlett, S. W.
Frank E. Abbott, J. W.
136. Walnut D. O. Bulen, W. M.
George Salker, J. W.
137. Appleton W. A. Keyes, proxy for W. M.
J. R. Dow, proxy for S. W.
Lynn Haines, J. W.
138. Orion J. A. Walen, W. M.
Peder Larson, S. W.
Martin Anderson, J. W.
139. Verndale Geo. W. Empey, W. M.
W. N. Morell, S. W.
140. Little Falls..... O. C. Trace, proxy for W. M.
Geo. F. Foster, proxy for S. W.
Harry E. Meyers, J. W.
141. Crookston W. G. Lytle, proxy for W. M.
142. Currie Not represented.
143. Lakeview Elmer N. Morrill, W. M.
Hayden French, proxy for S. W.

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- No. 143. Lakeview.....Wallace Zwiener, J.: W.:
 144. Bird Island.....J. H. Feeter, W.: M.:
 L. E. Sherwood, proxy for S.: W.:
 145. MelroseJ. N. Canoyer, W.: M.:
 W. W. Matson, S.: W.:
 146. BentonW. W. Bliven, W.: M.:
 147. CanbyW. T. Evans, W.: M.:
 H. D. Reed, proxy for S.: W.:
 M. S. Nelson, proxy for J.: W.:
 148. QuarryGeo. E. Sellers, W.: M.:
 149. GuardianJoseph H. GeRoy, W.: M.: ...
 150. WarrenChas. S. Stevens, W.: M.:
 151. ChaskaWm. C. Odell, W.: M.:
 152. FrontierT. E. Knudson, W.: M.:
 153. KodahyaL. C. Bigelow, proxy for W.: M.:
 154. NormanPeter Sharpe, W.: M.:
 Emil J. Farley, S.: W.:
 155. TracyJohn D. Owens, W.: M.:
 F. S. Brown, proxy for J.: W.:
 156. WadenaWilliam Dower, W.: M.:
 John Liddell, proxy for S.: W.:
 157. PerhamJohn L. Sawyer, W.: M.:
 Samuel Friedman, S.: W.:
 158. HectorA. M. Erickson, W.: M.:
 H. A. Reed, proxy for S.: W.:
 159. Long Prairie.....W. A. Barto, W.: M.:
 160. PlymouthFrank H. McCuskey, W.: M.:
 O. J. H. Martin, proxy for S.: W.:
 Wm. K. Bartlett, J.: W.:
 161. SincerityW. R. Holly, proxy for W.: M.:
 162. PrescottC. P. Earsley, W.: M.:
 R. P. Wells, proxy for S.: W.:
 163. SummitH. P. Fahnestock, W.: M.:
 John Wade, S.: W.:
 Robt. B. Ware, J.: W.:
 164. JasperCurtis M. Johnson, W.: M.:
 165. MinnehahaThos. W. Allen, W.: M.:
 Leonard R. Ellis, S.: W.:
 166. GarnetJ. C. Fulton, W.: M.:
 C. E. Davies, J.: W.:
 167. AgateM. E. Wheeler, W.: M.:
 P. J. Davidson, S.: W.:
 168. BradenGeo. Brookins, proxy for W.: M.:
 169. PiersonM. D. Hawver, W.: M.:
 170. FuldaAlbin Oppel, W.: M.:
 171. ShekinahEdward A. Thiem, W.: M.:

- No. 171. Shekinah..... C. S. Schurman, proxy for J. W.
 172. Marietta E. C. Sommermyer, S. W.
 173. Plumb Line..... Geo. E. Sherwood, W. M.
 Walter Dixon, proxy for S. W.
 174. Valley Not represented.
 175. Roman Eagle..... J. C. Becker, W. M.
 J. R. Jones, proxy for S. W.
 E. J. Jones, proxy for J. W.
 176. Ark Charles C. Kramer, W. M.
 177. Rough Ashlar..... W. N. Southworth, W. M.
 Paul Buetow, S. W.
 J. H. Meyers, J. W.
 178. Anchor Thos. McDougall, W. M.
 179. King David..... S. C. Moore, W. M.
 180. Osakis Geo. R. Babbitt, W. M.
 181. Dalles O. S. Parker, proxy for W. M.
 182. Fair Haven..... Martin E. Fellows, W. M.
 184. Shell Wm. M. Taber, W. M.
 Irving B. Kenney, S. W.
 185. Midway Chas. P. Montgomery, proxy for J. W.
 Chas. C. Collett, W. M.
 186. Ionic John Cox, W. M.
 James S. Cromwell, S. W.
 W. D. Underhill, proxy for J. W.
 187. Arcana Wm. H. Ronald, W. M.
 Henry A. Sauer, S. W.
 Wm. A. Gulick, J. W.
 188. Fortitude Not represented.
 189. Traverse G. K. Kristensen, W. M.
 190. Triune E. A. Paradis, proxy for W. M.
 Malcolm McKay, S. W.
 Frank Mattson, proxy for J. W.
 191. Mizpah Frank W. Wentworth, W. M.
 E. C. Shibley, proxy for S. W.
 John N. Ewing, J. W.
 192. Crow River..... S. H. Slauffer, W. M.
 193. Amboy Not represented.
 194. Canton Chas. R. Vail, W. M.
 Geo. W. Willford, S. W.
 W. M. Johnson, proxy for J. W.
 195. Renville S. M. McIntosh, W. M.
 L. E. Lambert, proxy for J. W.
 196. Geneva Not represented.
 197. Vermillion M. C. Woodard, W. M.
 Frank Cundy, J. W.

- No. 198. Euclid.....W. J. Darbey, W.· M.·
 J. H. Opperman, S.· W.·
 E. G. Wallender, J.· W.·
199. MurrayA. D. Smith, W.· M.·
200. ZenithJohn Schmelz, W.· M.·
201. KenyonJ. A. Gates, proxy for W.· M.·
 M. H. Silvernale, proxy for J.· W.·
202. AtelierC. H. Sullivan, proxy for W.· M.·
203. StewartvilleC. E. Fawcett, W.· M.·
204. St. Elmo.....Andrew Rae, W.· M.·
 A. G. McKnight, proxy for J.· W.·
205. WayzataWm. Bushnell, W.· M.·
 C. E. Lamb, S.· W.·
 E. G. Braden, J.· W.·
206. FosstonNot represented.
207. CrescentA. B. Church, W.· M.·
 P. O. Bean, proxy for S.· W.·
208. ItascaA. A. Kremer, W.· M.·
209. SibleyFrank Hagberg, proxy for W.· M.·
 Samuel E. Linsley, J.· W.·
210. ColumbianJ. H. Dudley, proxy for W.· M.·
 LeRoy Brown, proxy for J.· W.·
211. FriendshipJames E. Dean, W.· M.·
 E. C. Baird, proxy for S.· W.·
212. HallockNorman Jenson, W.· M.·
213. MysticLouis Hallum, W.· M.·
214. EvansvilleNot represented.
215. ArgyleT. K. Onstad, S.· W.·
216. FlorenceTheo. M. Thomas, W.· M.·
217. Capital City.....James Manderson, W.· M.·
218. GriswoldNot represented.
219. Mt. Hermon.....Not represented.
220. OliviaG. W. Diepenbrock, W.· M.·
 Chas Waldo, proxy for J.· W.·
221. EquityJohn Michie, W.· M.·
222. ElysianL. C. Keene, W.· M.·
 J. W. Root, proxy for S.· W.·
223. MoraDavid R. Eaton, W.· M.·
 John C. King, S.· W.·
224. MinnesotaChauncy E. Foster, W.· M.·
 Joseph H. Johnson, proxy for S.· W.·
 R. B. Hazard, J.· W.·
225. JusticeL. Redding, proxy for W.· M.·
226. LincolnHiman A. Cohen, S.· W.·
227. Park Region.....Geo. L. Woodworth, W.· M.·
228. Vernon Center.....Clint Cornish, W.· M.·

- No. 228. Vernon Center.....H. A. King, J. W. W.
 229. StewartW. H. Houck, W. M.
 A. C. Schultz, S. W.
 230. AlphaMarius Hansen, W. M.
 Henry Marsden, J. W.
 231. MagnoliaC. E. Greene, W. M.
 232. ChisagoE. M. Dahlby, W. M.
 233. BemidjiNot represented.
 234. SandstoneJames Percy, W. M.
 235. EdgertonArnold Pilling, W. M.
 236. NorthernB. Christenson, proxy for W. M.
 237. Albert Pike.....W. L. Feudner, W. M.
 238. EqualityS. W. Janason, J. W.
 239. EvelethT. H. Davey, S. W.
 240. AstraOtto W. Lundsten, S. W.
 241. FrazeoDennis L. Durkin, W. M.
 242. RuthtonM. J. Calderwood, W. M.
 243. CassNot represented.
 244. CoteauW. D. Hackett, proxy for S. W.
 C. P. Eastman, J. W.
 245. WabassoA. J. Weldon, W. M.
 246. FidesE. P. Dotson, proxy for W. M.
 247. MoralityL. M. Lerwick, proxy for W. M.
 Ole T. Larson, proxy for S. W.
 248. RaymondS. Edmondson, proxy for W. M.
 249. BartoNot represented.
 250. LakefieldNot represented.
 251. McKinleyJ. P. Jensen, W. M.
 H. Sykes, proxy for S. W.
 252. MortonJohn B. D. Wagner, W. M.
 Albert Mathias, S. W.
 253. DexterOliver J. Dickens, W. M.
 254. Lake Park.....Emanuel Berg, W. M.
 255. MesabaJames A. Robinson, W. M.
 Walter N. Trenerry, S. W.
 William C. Northey, J. W.
 256. HawleyFrank M. Higgins, W. M.
 257. Fellowship.....C. B. Boody, W. M.
 258. Montgomery.....Wm. W. Sleight, W. M.
 Frank R. Bunnell, S. W.
 Norman W. Foster, J. W.
 259. BerryCharles F. Scheers, W. M.
 James H. Mosher, S. W.
 260. TruthNot represented.

We also report the following Grand Representatives present:

A. Brandenburg.....for Alabama, Michigan and Belgium
 W. C. Masterman.....for Arizona
 Sheldon L. Frazer.....for Arkansas
 Thos. Montgomery.....for Colorado, England, Scotland and Ireland
 Charles Griswold.....for Connecticut
 Henry R. Denny.....for Delaware
 James D. Markham.....for District of Columbia
 William P. Roberts.....for Florida
 William B. Patton.....for Georgia and Pennsylvania
 Gustaf Widell.....for Idaho
 William S. Combs.....for Indiana
 Alonzo T. Stebbins.....for Illinois and Prince Edward Island
 Calvin L. Brown.....for Kansas
 Henry R. Adams.....for Maine and Rhode Island
 Henry R. Shepard.....for Manitoba
 Henry R. Wells.....for Mississippi, North and South Dakota
 Wm. A. McGonagle.....for Missouri, Ohio and Western Australia
 A. D. Countryman.....for Montana and South Australia
 Albert Marden.....for Nevada
 Thomas Morris.....for New Brunswick and Washington
 David W. Knowlton.....for New Jersey
 Henry M. Tusler.....for New South Wales, Tennessee and Utah
 Gideon S. Ives.....for Oregon
 Irving Todd.....for South Carolina
 Edgar Nash.....for Virginia
 Chas. L. West.....for West Virginia

THOS. MONTGOMERY,
 E. C. SHIBLEY,
 J. G. HOUGHTON,

Committee.

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, until 2:30 p. m.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, Jan. 17, 1906.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2:30 p. m. Officers as before.

Grand Master Tusler then appointed the following committees:

ON ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER.

H. C. Shepard (18), W. D. Underhill (186), H. M. Myers (19).

FINANCE.

A. D. Countryman (137), John L. Krogstad (18), A. B. Church (207), E. C. Baird (211), H. A. Wells (71).

JURISPRUDENCE.

Past Grand Masters Wells, Griswold, Denny, Stebbins and Ives.

ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

A Brandenburg (99), Lawrence Hope (5), C. L. West (39), C. W. Nash (7), H. R. Adams (224).

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

W. C. Odell (151), J. H. Sprout (57), L. A. Hanes (26), W. A. McGonagle (79), E. M. Thiem (171).

APPROPRIATIONS.

W. B. Patton (79), H. P. Fahnestock (163), J. M. Trickey (118).

LODGES U. D.

J. D. Markham (164), J. H. Johnson (224), Albert Marden (98), C. E. Reed (7), A. W. Corwin (40).

PAY ROLL.

D. W. Knowlton (112), S. B. Washburn (112), M. S. Mead (3).

EXAMINATION OF VISITORS.

G. A. Chilgren (93), W. G. Lytle (141).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Edgar Nash (112), F. L. Gowen (2), Malcolm McKay (190).

Grand Master Tusler then read the following address which was referred to the Committee on Address of Grand Master.

ADDRESS.

BRETHREN: I extend to each and all of you a cordial and fraternal greeting and a hearty welcome to this, the fifty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. It is a great pleasure to note the familiar faces of the brethren who have met with us before and to greet with them those who are here for the first time. We have again assembled to review the work and records of the past year and to unite our counsels in devising plans for making our noble Institution more useful in the years to come, and as we enter upon our deliberations we should do so with grateful thanks to Almighty God for the manifold blessings and comforts he has seen fit to bestow upon us.

Our nation is at peace with all the world, and we are enjoying an era of almost unequaled prosperity.

The most pleasant and fraternal relations exist between this and all other regular Grand Jurisdictions, and nothing of a serious nature has arisen to prevent peace and harmony within our own borders.

It now becomes my duty to place before you my official acts, and render an account of my stewardship.

LODGES CONSTITUTED.

The two Lodges, chartered at our last Annual Communication, were duly constituted as follows:

On March 8th, assisted by W. W. Brothers A. B. Wood, as Deputy Grand Master, L. H. Rice, as Senior Grand Warden, F. M. Shepard, as Junior Grand Warden, F. B. Coon, as Grand Secretary, L. W. Babcock, as Grand Chaplain, R. W. Bro. John Liddell, as Grand

Marshal, and other competent brethren, I constituted Berry Lodge, No. 259, at Akeley, and installed its officers.

On March 29th, assisted by W. W. Bros. C. H. Carey, as Deputy Grand Master, C. N. Brown, as Senior Grand Warden, M. M. Freer, as Junior Grand Warden, R. W. Bro. L. H. Hanes, as Grand Chaplain, R. W. Bro. J. H. Sprout, as Grand Marshal, and other brethren, I constituted Truth Lodge, No. 260, at Bricelyn, and installed its officers. As requested by the committee on Lodges U. W. D., I instructed the Secretary of this Lodge in the proper manner of keeping his books. Good delegations from neighboring Lodges were present on each occasion, banquets were served, instructive and entertaining addresses made, and the new Lodges started on their way with the best wishes of all present.

NEW LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

As recommended by the Committee on Lodges U. W. D., at our last session, I continued the dispensation previously issued to Fairfax Lodge U. W. D. at Fairfax.

I have issued dispensations for new Lodges as follows:

On February 2d, to twelve petitioners, for a new Lodge at Lake Wilson, Murray county, to be known as Lake Wilson Lodge U. W. D., and appointed the following officers: Robert B. Forrest, Worshipful Master; Wm. S. Pattison, Senior Warden; Mathias E. Lang, Junior Warden.

On April 5th, to thirty-four petitioners, for a new Lodge at St. Anthony Park, Ramsey county, to be known as Ramsey Lodge U. W. D., and appointed the following officers: Fred Joerns, Worshipful Master; W. H. Turner, Senior Warden; Geo. E. Rouse, Junior Warden.

On April 18th, to sixty-two petitioners, for a new Lodge at Virginia, St. Louis county, to be known as Virginia Lodge U. W. D., and appointed the following officers: C. T. Fairbairn, Worshipful Master; Adelbert Trotter, Senior Warden; A. B. Tredway, Junior Warden.

On May 28th, to twenty-one petitioners, for a new Lodge at Robbinsdale, Hennepin county, to be known as Compass Lodge U. W. D., and appointed the following officers: Geo. E. Swift, Worshipful Master; F. M. Libby, Senior Warden; E. W. Reckard, Junior Warden.

On August 2d, to fourteen petitioners, for a new Lodge at Westbrook, Cottonwood county, to be known as Onyx Lodge U. W. D., and appointed the following officers: G. W. McFarland, Worshipful Master; Victor J. Miller, Senior Warden; B. C. Offus, Junior Warden.

These dispensations were recommended by the nearest Lodges, and granted after I was fully satisfied in each case that they would become active, vigorous Lodges. They will, undoubtedly, present

their work for inspection, and if charters are granted I shall watch their progress with a great deal of interest.

I have recently received petitions for new Lodges at Warroad, Roseau county, and Hewitt, Todd county. As we are building for the future I deemed it unwise to issue dispensations for these Lodges without first making due inquiry and becoming fully satisfied that the conditions in these places would warrant it. The time has been too limited to enable me to do this to my entire satisfaction. I therefore recommend that these petitions be referred to the incoming Grand Master.

CHARTERS SURRENDERED AND MORIBUND LODGES.

For several years Golden Rule Lodge, No. 65, at Lakeland and Brownsville, No. 73, at Brownsville, were in a moribund condition; the few members remaining on their rolls were scattered; some of them anxious to get dimitts, but unable to do so as it was impossible to get seven members together to transact business. These were old Lodges, but, owing to changed conditions, due to the development of the country, not favorably located. Owing to removals, the membership steadily decreased for years, and there was no new material coming forward, or in sight, to take their places. Knowing these conditions I conferred with the last officers of these Lodges and found that they had been seriously considering the matter of surrendering their charters, and, after going over the matter very carefully, I suggested that they take the necessary steps to do so. Acting on this suggestion the charter of Golden Rule Lodge, No. 65, was surrendered February 14th, and Brownsville, No. 73, on the 12th day of May. The books, records, funds and property belonging to these lodges were forwarded to the Grand Secretary.

HOKAH LODGE, NO. 17.

On December 29th, the District Deputy for the Thirty-third District, in sending me his reports, said: "There has not been a meeting of Hokah Lodge, No. 17, in about five years, there is no Lodge there." The Lodge returns, however, were received by the Grand Secretary showing two restored during the year, and one withdrawn. Examining the returns for 1904, I found seventeen reported as stricken from the roll. I immediately wrote the brother, whose name appeared on the returns as Master, asking him how many meetings were held during the last two years, and how many members were present at each meeting. I received a reply, dated January 8th, written by the Secretary, stating that the last meeting of the Lodge was held Dec. 28, 1904, at which time the seventeen names were stricken from the roll. I answered this on the 9th, calling attention to the fact that the failure of a Lodge to meet for one year is cause for the forfeiture of

its charter, and if no meetings were held in 1905 their action in restoring two members and dimitting one during that year was irregular and illegal. As yet no reply to this communication has been received.

FOSSTON LODGE, NO. 206.

I am informed by the District Deputy for the First District that this Lodge has had only a few meetings during the year, and no records kept of those. There has been no work and very little interest is manifested.

LODGES CONSOLIDATED.

While making a visit to Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 35, at Hastings, early in May, I was informed that there was a desire on the part of the members of Dakota Lodge, No. 7, and Mt. Moriah, No. 35, to consolidate. Believing that the interests of the craft would be promoted if the consolidation was effected I consented that the Lodges take the necessary steps to do so. Following the regulation promulgated for the consolidation of Lodges, Dakota, No. 7, on December 8th, and Mt. Moriah, No. 35, on December 13th, voted unanimously in favor of the proposition that the two Lodges be consolidated under the name and charter of Dakota Lodge No. 7. Both Lodges officially certified their action to the Grand Secretary, and, on December 27th I ratified and confirmed the same and issued a decree approving the consolidation. The charter of Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 35 was deposited with the Grand Secretary, and has been cancelled.

MISCELLANEOUS DISPENSATIONS ISSUED.

During the year I have received forty-three requests for authority to confer degrees on more than five candidates, at one and the same time, and for that purpose have granted dispensations to the following Lodges: Cataract, No. 2; St. Paul, No. 3; Ancient Landmark, No. 5, Winona, No. 18; Minneapolis, No. 19; Palestine, No. 79; Khurum, No. 112; Plymouth, No. 160; Summit, No. 163; Braden, No. 168; Shekinah, No. 171; Ark, No. 176; Ionic, No. 186.

I have granted other dispensations as follows:

April 18th, to Golden Fleece Lodge No. 89, Litchfield, to attend Divine Service at the Episcopal Church on Easter Sunday, April 23rd.

April 18th, to Star in the East Lodge, No. 33, Owatonna, to attend Divine Service at the First Methodist Episcopal Church on Easter Sunday, April 23rd.

On April 21st, to Ionic Lodge, No. 186, Duluth, to hold two meetings on April 24th for the purpose of conferring the third degree, viz., a special communication commencing at 1:30 o'clock p. m. and a stated meeting in the evening. In granting this dispensation

I stipulated that the degree should be conferred in full at each of these meetings.

On June 23rd, to Little Falls Lodge, No. 140, Little Falls to attend Divine Service in observance of St. Johns Day.

On Sept. 22nd, to Ben Franklin Lodge, No. 114, Luverne, to hold an election at its stated meeting October 6th, for the purpose of filling a vacancy in the office of Treasurer caused by the death of its former Treasurer, Wm. Jacobson.

On December 13th, to Joppa Lodge, No. 76, Good Thunder, to elect officers at the stated meeting December 16th, a quorum not being present at the time fixed by the by-laws for the election of officers.

On December 16th, to Cass Lake Lodge, No. 243, Cass Lake, to elect a Senior Warden at its stated meeting December 19th, the Senior Warden elect having removed from the state, and would not return to be installed, or to serve. In this dispensation I provided for the election of a Junior Warden in the event of the Junior Warden elect being advanced.

On January 2nd, to St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, St. Paul, to elect a Junior Warden at its stated meeting January 5th, the Junior Warden elect, for business reasons, having declined the office.

On January 2nd, to Alpha Lodge, No. 230, Hendrum, to elect a Secretary at its next stated meeting, the Secretary elect having removed to another part of the state before being installed.

On January 5th, to Fellowship Lodge, No. 257, North St. Paul, to install its officers at the stated meeting January 8th. The officers were not installed the night of the election and date of the next meeting named in the by-laws for the installation falling on a holiday no meeting was held.

On January 5th, to Mystic Tie Lodge, No. 37, Pine Island, to elect a Master at its stated meeting, the Master elect having declined the office. In this dispensation I provided for the election of Wardens in the event of either, or both, of the Wardens elect being advanced.

On May 17th, I was informed by Brother James C. Burchard, Worshipful Master of Delta Lodge, No. 119, at Marshall that the Lodge hall was badly damaged by fire on the morning of the 15th, the charter and records, fortunately being saved intact. He asked for a dispensation authorizing the Lodge to move into the G. A. R. hall located on the corner of Main and Second Streets. Permission to do so was immediately granted.

On January 3rd, I received through the Grand Secretary's office, a communication dated January 1st, from Madelia Lodge, No. 66, Madelia, asking for authority to elect officers at the stated meeting January 3rd, as quorum was not present at the meeting provided in the by-laws for holding the election. I telegraphed the Master

authorizing the election, confirming it by letter enclosing a formal dispensation. This was returned with the statement, that owing to a severe storm, they were again without a quorum. I continued the dispensation to the next stated communication January 17th.

I have given several Lodges permission to move from one hall to another, in each case calling attention to the requirements of the Grand Lodge relative to such removals.

I have granted numerous requests from Lodges to publicly install their officers.

DISPENSATIONS REFUSED.

I have refused all requests for dispensations to receive petitions, for the degrees, from persons physically disqualified.

I refused to grant a dispensation authorizing a Lodge to receive and confer petitions at a special communication.

Several requests were received from Lodges for permission to participate in civic parades. All were refused.

A dispensation was refused authorizing the officers of a Lodge to appear at a public entertainment in aprons, collars and jewels.

I refused the request of a Lodge for permission to receive the petition of an applicant for the degrees who had not resided the required time within the jurisdiction of the Lodge.

A Lodge asked for authority to confer both the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees upon a candidate at one and the same communication. Authority to do so was not granted.

Dispensations have been refused authorizing Lodges to confer the first section, only, of the third degree at one meeting and allow the uncompleted part of the work, or second section, to be conferred at a subsequent communication.

A request was refused for permission to confer the degrees upon a rejected candidate. He must wait the required time and make a new application.

I refused to allow a Lodge to confer the second and third degrees upon a candidate without requiring him to be posted in the lectures. The reasons given did not appeal to me as being sufficient to warrant the dispensation.

I refused the request of a number of brethren, none of them being officers of a Lodge, that they be allowed to hire and occupy a hall for the purpose of holding schools of instruction to be conducted by themselves. The hall which they proposed to hire and occupy was five miles from the nearest Lodge.

DECISIONS AND RULINGS.

During the year I have been called upon to render a great many decisions and rulings. The ground has been so fully covered in the

past that I have been able to answer nearly all questions propounded by referring the questioner to the Code, and, in some cases, I have quoted in full the section of the constitution, general regulation, resolution, or approved decision covering the point upon which the brother was seeking for light.

Some questions, however, have been submitted upon which I have made rulings, as follows:

1. Question: We have an applicant for the degrees who has lost the first, second, and third fingers of his right hand. With a perfect thumb and fourth finger is this man eligible?

Answer: No. The candidate could not do all that would be required of him.

2. Question: A member of our Lodge was stricken from the roll in 1875 for non-payment of dues, and died in 1888. His widow now wants to pay the amount he was owing at the time he was stricken from the roll and get a certificate from the Lodge that he was in good standing at the time of his death. Can we do it?

Answer: No. It would not be in accordance with the facts as shown by the minutes, and records, of the Lodge. At the time of his death he was a non-affiliate, was not a member of your Lodge, and was not clear on your books.

3. Question: What is your interpretation of the resolution passed by the Grand Lodge in 1902, page 51, as to the eligibility for the mysteries of Masonry of persons engaged in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage, as applied to parties connected with corporations engaged in such business? A party wishes to petition for the degrees who is a son-in-law of one of our oldest members, and one of the finest young men of the city. His business is that of General Auditor of a Brewing Co. He is simply engaged in the supervision of the clerical part of their business, and has nothing whatever to do with the manufacture or sale of their product.

Answer: Officers having a voice, and vote, in the direction and management of the affairs and business of such corporations are ineligible to receive the degrees of Masonry.

An employee engaged in the supervision of the clerical part of the business, and having nothing whatever to do with the manufacture and sale of the product, and without a vote in the management of the affairs of the corporation, is not debarred.

Following this interpretation of the resolution, if his official title as General Auditor empowers him with the right to vote in the general management of the affairs of the company you should not receive his petition. On the other hand, if he is simply engaged in the supervision of the clerical part of the business as an employee, and does not have a vote, as an officer, in the general management of the company I am of the opinion that you would be justified in receiving his petition.

4. Question: What is necessary to enable a person to become a Master Mason in good standing who was initiated, passed, and raised in a clandestine Lodge, believing at the time that it was a regular Lodge?

Answer: The only way in which he can become a Master Mason in good standing is to petition a regular Lodge for the degrees and receive them in a lawful manner.

5. Statement: We have a complaint entered against a member of this Lodge who made his home at the time the offense was committed within the jurisdiction of another Lodge, where same occurred, he making his home here until last spring. In looking over the Masonic Code we were in doubt whether we should take charge of and try same here, or have the complaint entered with the Lodge in whose jurisdiction the offense was committed.

Answer: A Mason is always amenable for his conduct to the Lodge of which he is a member, and, if accused of a Masonic offense, and the Lodge is applied to, it has the power to, and should cite him before it and try him notwithstanding the fact that at the time the offense was committed he was residing within the jurisdiction of another Lodge.

6. Statement: At our stated communication March 4th, notice was given that at the next stated communication a motion would be made to make one of our brethren an honorary member. He has been a member of our Lodge almost fifty years and at present is residing in Los Angeles, California. His wife writes us that he is in very poor circumstances financially. We happened to see the resolution on page 41, Grand Lodge Proceedings 1905, prohibiting making honorary membership, and no further action was taken. We desire to know if it will be unlawful for us to continue following our by-laws in regard to granting honorary membership as we have been doing.

Answer: In the future it will be unlawful for your Lodge to grant honorary membership or exempt any of its members from the payment of Lodge dues. This does not in any way interfere with the remission of dues for just cause. If the brother referred to is in arrears for dues, and unable to pay same, the Lodge has the right to remit them.

I find that several Lodges have provisions in their by-laws whereby a member, upon payment of a stated amount, or upon the payment of dues for a certain number of consecutive years, becomes a life member, and exempt from the payment of further dues. I have not been asked to rule upon the question of the resolution passed at our last session affecting such life memberships and I recommend that this be referred to the proper committee for an interpretation of the resolution, as applied to such by-laws.

BY-LAWS APPROVED.

All new by-laws, and amendments to existing by-laws, submitted during the year, that were not in conflict with the Grand Lodge constitution, laws, rules, and regulations have been approved. All new by-laws presented were, with one exception, the standard form, as printed in the Code. I returned that set without approval, giving my reasons for doing so. The Lodge then adopted, and presented, new by-laws, with the objectional features eliminated, and they were at once, approved.

LAYING CORNER STONES.

On September 29th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Thomas Morris, Deputy Grand Master, and assisted by competent brethren of Itasca Lodge, No. 208, I laid the corner stone of the new Carnegie Library Building at Grand Rapids. It was a beautiful Indian summer day, and, but for the collapse of the platform erected for the occasion everything would have passed off smoothly. Fortunately no one was seriously injured, and the stone was laid according to the ancient custom of the Craft. In the evening a special communication of Itasca Lodge was held, and the third degree conferred in an excellent manner. After the Lodge was closed we repaired to the hotel where "mine host," D. M. Gunn, W. M. served a sumptuous banquet which was appreciated, and enjoyed by all. Brother Morris and myself left Grand Rapids feeling that we had been well repaid for the visit.

April 1st, the Trustees of the First Universalist Church, Owatona, extended me an invitation to lay the corner stone of their new Church, on Sunday April 30th. Replying to the invitation I quoted section 31 of the Grand Lodge Constitution, and declined the invitation, unless they could arrange to have the ceremonies performed on some day other than Sunday. I received no reply to this communication.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

During the year commissions have been issued to the following brethren as our Grand Representatives near other Grand Lodges.

On August 9th to Wm. H. Campbell, of Kenmare, for North Dakota.

On January 6th to J. L. Gilmer, of Lela, for Georgia.

The following brethren have received commissions from other Grand Lodges as their Grand Representatives near this Grand Lodge:

J. H. Sprout, Blue Earth, from New Hampshire.

John Liddell, Wadena, from Nova Scotia.

W. C. Odell, Chaska, from New York.

MARKER FOR THE GRAVE OF PAST GRAND MASTER A. T. C. PIERSON:

At the last session of the Grand Lodge \$100.00 was appropriated for the purpose of properly marking the grave of Past Grand Master A. T. C. Pierson and his wife, to be expended by a special committee of three to be appointed by the Grand Master and with his approval.

I appointed as such committee Past Grand Masters E. W. Durant and Henry R. Wells, and R. W. Bro. I. B. B. Sprague, who have reported to me that the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, at the annual sessions of those bodies, made appropriations, for the purpose of assisting in the erection of this monument, amounts aggregating \$150,000, which, coupled with the amount appropriated by the Grand Lodge, made a sum total of \$250.00.

The committee reported that this amount would hardly erect a memorial tablet consistent with the spirit of Masonry extant in this jurisdiction, and such a testimonial to Past Grand Master Pierson as would meet the approval of the Masonic brethren of this jurisdiction. They recommended that an additional appropriation of \$400.00 be made with which they felt assured they could carry out the wishes of the Grand Lodge and fulfill the duty devolving upon them in a manner creditable to the Masonic fraternity of Minnesota. The committee reported to me that under the circumstances they considered it advisable to defer taking any definite action without further consulting the wishes of the brethren of the Grand Lodge. The committee will undoubtedly make a formal report to this Grand Body.

GRAND LODGE APRONS, COLLARS AND JEWELS.

At our last Annual Communication \$500.00 was appropriated for the purchase of new aprons, collars and jewels for the Grand Officers by a committee consisting of the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary. In discharging their duty your committee purchased, at an expense of \$299.56, the aprons and collars now worn for the first time by the Grand Officers. Investigating the matter of jewels the committee found that those owned by the Grand Lodge could be repaired and plated with gold, so as to be entirely satisfactory and in keeping with the new aprons and collars. They had this done at a cost of \$16.20 making a total expenditure of \$315.76 leaving \$184.24 of the appropriation unexpended.

As the cases used in carrying the old aprons and collars are not suitable, either in size or shape for the new ones I recommended that new cases be procured.

GRAND LODGE REGISTER.

The Grand Master, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Secretary were named, at our last session, as a committee to purchase a suitable book

for the continuation of the Grand Lodge register unless the committee found, on examination, that the old register could be rebound so as to provide for expansion. Examining the old register we found that it could not be rebound so as to meet the requirements, as in a great many cases the records of different Lodges were entered on opposite sides of the same leaf. After giving the matter careful consideration the committee purchased a loose leaf register, which by the insertion of new leaves can be used indefinitely.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

I appointed thirty-four District Deputy Grand Masters and made some changes in the boundary lines of the districts. Eleven have sent in full and complete reports. Seven, with 45 Lodges in charge, have made no reports, and sixteen, with 118 Lodges, have reported on 81 of them, making a total of 82 Lodges unreported. Some of the reports are models of excellence, the blanks properly filled out, and a supplementary report attached containing valuable information. I have received some that are of little value. I could have secured the information in a more direct manner, that is, by mailing the blank myself direct to the Secretary of the Lodge. Failure to report on some of the Lodges in their district is not, in all cases, the fault of the Deputy, some of these are poor Lodges, and in bad shape, unwilling to be inspected, and unable to pay the expenses of the Deputy, and will not respond to a request to name a date for the inspection. The result is that the Lodges that would be benefitted by a visitation do not get it. The fact of the matter is we do not get the desired results, as a whole, from our District Deputies.

I cannot leave this subject without referring to the action taken at our last session in passing the resolution making District Deputies members of the Grand Lodge. This resolution was before the Committee on Jurisprudence, and referred back with an unfavorable report. Notwithstanding this report the resolution was adopted. It is my opinion that it is a violation of the constitution, and if not, it is certainly unwise, and not in keeping with the principles of Masonry. According to our present laws the Grand Master has authority to appoint sixty District Deputy Grand Masters, and in this resolution he has the naming of anywhere from thirty-four to sixty members of this Grand Body, and, as I look at it, this is not in keeping with the teachings of our Institution. Under our present laws the Deputies, as members of the Grand Lodge cannot claim mileage when attending its communications, but they can claim per-diem.

I have given this subject considerable thought and believe it to be my duty to present my views of the matter to you at this time.

DEDICATION OF HALLS.

On Feb. 22nd, assisted by Past Grand Masters Henry R. Adams and A. D. Countryman, R. . W. . Bro. W. P. Roberts, Junior Grand

Warden, R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary, W. Bro. Chas. J. Kruger, Grand Tyler, together with Masters and Past Masters from all the St. Paul Lodges, I dedicated the hall of Montgomery Lodge No. 258, St. Paul. The Lodge at this time also held its first annual re-union, it having been constituted Feb. 22nd, 1904. The occasion was an enjoyable one as the brethern left nothing undone to make it pleasant and agreeable for their guests. A banquet with a suitable programme of toasts and responses followed the ceremonies of dedication. Montgomery lodge is progressive active, and vigorous, as is evidenced by the fact that during the first year of its existence as a chartered Lodge it succeeded in securing, furnishing, and dedicating the fine hall which it now occupies.

On Dec. 18th assisted by M. W. Bro. W. A. McGonagle, R. W. Bro. W. B. Patton, W. Bro. E. H. Foot, Grand Sword Bearer R. W. Bro. Lionel Ayers, District Deputy Grand Master, and the Brethren of Palestine Lodge, No. 79, and Ionic, No. 186, I dedicated the Blue Lodge Hall in the Masonic Temple at Duluth. Bro. T. W. Hugo was the Orator on this occasion, and the "talk" he gave us was interesting, instructive and entertaining. The brethren of Duluth have, in erecting this Temple devoted exclusively to Masonic uses, honored Masonry in general, and their example should be an incentive to the brethren throughout this whole Grand Jurisdiction. I was greatly honored by the brethren of Duluth who presented me the silver vessel, suitably engraved, which contained the corn used on this occasion. I thanked the brethren at the time, and wish to do so again, and to say that this memento of the occasion will always be one of my most valued treasures.

VISITATIONS.

It was my desire to visit as many Lodges as possible during my term of office. My home being in the railroad center of the state, and possessing a robust constitution I was enabled to gratify this desire. I have made nearly one hundred visits to Lodges. To do this I have traveled thousands of miles, going out on a late afternoon train, and coming back in the morning with little and in some cases no sleep. These visitations have given me an opportunity of getting a close insight into the real condition of the Craft. Everywhere, and on all occasions, I have been received, and welcomed, with all the honors due my official position. These visits have been a source of pleasure to me, and I hope have been a profit to the brethren. I will not weary you with a recital of all these visitations. Some of them, however, were events of importance, viz: The visit to Appleton on the occasion of the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Appleton Lodge; the meeting at Red Wing to celebrate the fiftieth Masonic anniversary of S. B. Foot, the father of our Grand Sword Bearer; the meeting at Lake City when the degree was conferred by

officers of the Third Regiment M. N. G. ; the meetings at Albert Lea, Sauk Centre, and Crookston with representatives present from surrounding Lodges; the meeting at Duluth the night of the great storm when your Grand Master was from 11:30 P. M. until 6 o'clock the next afternoon getting back to St. Paul; and last but not least the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Dakota Lodge No. 7, and at the same time the celebration of the consolidation of Dakota No. 7 and Mt. Moriah No. 35. I desire at this time to thank the officers and members of the Lodges visited for the many courtesies shown me on these occasions.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

On Feb. 23rd, in the hall of Star in the East Lodge, No. 33, Owatonna, I had the pleasure of installing into office W. . Bro. Alfred G. Pinkham, Grand Chaplain. On this occasion M. . W. . Bro. A. D. Countryman acted as Grand Marshal.

On June 19th, in the hall of Griswold Lodge No. 18, Dassel, I installed into office W. . Bro. C. W. Stites, Grand Pursuivant.

On Nov. 11th, W. . Bro. G. A. Parks, acted as my proxy, in the hall of Sunset Lodge, No. 109, Montevideo, installed into office W. . Bro. H. W. Hendrickson, Grand Standard Bearer. These Grand Officers were unavoidably absent at the time of installation at our last session.

I have had the pleasure of installing the officers of various Lodges, as follows:

On Dec. 9th, Humboldt No. 132, Young America, R. . W. . Bro. Thomas Montgomery acting as Marshall. Public Installation.

On Dec. 18th, Palestine No. 79, Duluth.

On Dec. 19th, Braden No. 168, St. Paul. Public Installation.

On Dec. 22nd, Summit, No. 163, St. Paul.

On Dec. 26th, Ionic No. 186, Duluth. Public Installation.

On Jan. 5th, St. Paul No. 3, St. Paul.

On Jan. 11th, Garnet, No. 166, White Bear. Public Installation.

I regret that several invitations to install officers were received which it was impossible to accept owing to conflicting dates.

NECROLOGY.

"We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths;
In feelings, not in figures on a dial.
We should count time by heart throbs. He most lives
Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best."

Since last we met some of the brethern who have been near and dear to us have crossed the dark river "to that undiscovered country from whose bourn no traveler returns." Truly has it been

said: "in the midst of life we are in death, and none knoweth what a day may bring forth." One of our prominent members has died during the year. On March 12th, R. W. Bro. Thomas J. Lombard, Past Senior Grand Warden, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fullerton, in the city of Hudson, Wis. Bro. Lombard was born at Bangor, Maine, in 1816. He removed to Chicago in 1850 and shortly thereafter to Shakopee in this state. In 1887 he went to Hudson, Wis., and resided there during the remainder of his life. Brother Lombard was made a Master Mason in Wooster Lodge, No. 79, Conn., and was one of the organizers, and the first Master of Shakopee Lodge No. 6. He was elected Senior Grand Warden of this Grand Lodge in 1857, serving one term. He was buried with Masonic honor March 14th, St. Croix Lodge No. 56, Hudson, Wis., having charge of the funeral services. I attended the funeral accompanied by Past Grand Master C. L. Brown, and Bro. Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary. At the request of the Worshipful Master I conducted services at the grave.

On March 1st, at Orvieto, Italy, the messenger of death came unexpectedly and claimed W. Bro. Geo. R. Metcalf, a member of our committee on correspondence. Bro. Metcalf was born in Brattleboro, Vt., Dec. 16, 1846. He was educated at Amherst College, and was also a graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, N. Y. He located in St. Paul in 1882. Bro. Metcalf was made a Master Mason in Pacific Lodge, Mass., July 13, 1870. He joined St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, Dec. 18, 1891, and served it as Worshipful Master in 1901. He was a member of all the York Rite Bodies, and had been honored with the thirty-third degree in the A. & A. S. R. He was better known to the Masonic Fraternity throughout the state as the founder, and, for ten years, the President of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota. Brother Metcalf was chairman of the committee on the semi-centennial observance of this Grand Lodge held in 1903, and the success of that occasion was due to his indefatigable labor. The Grand Lodge may have appreciated his work but he was never sufficiently rewarded for it.

During the year notices have been received of the death of prominent brethren in our sister jurisdictions, among whom are the following Past Grand Masters: John N. McClanahan and Almon R. Dewey, of Iowa, Samuel M. Todd, of Louisiana, Byron C. Hill, Wm. Dunham and Geo. W. Peck, of Michigan, David C. Moore, of Nova Scotia, Emmons E. Chapin, of Wisconsin, Geo. S. Green and Henry C. Loomis, of Kansas, Jesse B. Antony, of New York, Robert W. Furness, of Nebraska, Thomas W. Tilden, of New Jersey, Angus Patterson, of Florida, Reuben C. Lemmon, of Ohio, Thomas M. Reed, of Washington, Luke A. Lockwood, of Connecticut, Andrew H. Barkley, of Mississippi.

CONCLUSION.

Thus, Brethren, I have endeavored to place before you a brief synopsis of my work for the year. The duties of the office have required constant, unremitting attention, and I have faithfully endeavored to discharge those duties to the best of my ability. I have undoubtedly made mistakes; if so, they have been mistakes of the head, and not of the heart, for it has been my intention, at all times, to do that which I believed to be right, and my every aim has been for the good of the fraternity in general. In returning to you the gavel placed in my hands one year ago permit me to thank you most sincerely for the great honor you conferred upon me. To be Grand Master of this jurisdiction, at its greatest prosperity and usefulness, is a distinction that shall ever be to me a pleasant memory. I desire at this time to express my appreciation of the many favors and courtesies extended to me by the brethren generally throughout the state. I am under lasting obligations to the officers of this Grand Lodge for their uniform courtesy, and valuable assistance; especially am I indebted to our Grand Secretary who has been ready and willing at all times to render valuable assistance, and has done much to lighten the arduous duties devolving upon me. And now as we enter upon our labors may the Genius of Masonry preside over us and may our deliberations be conducted with that union and harmony which constitute the essence of our great Fraternity.

HENRY M. TUSLER,
Grand Master.

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

I herewith submit my report as Grand Treasurer for the term beginning January 19, 1905 and ending January 17, 1906.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts.

1905		
Jan. 19.	Cash on hand as per last report.....	\$14,490.62
April 25.	Interest from Minn. Loan & Trust Co. on \$4000.00 certificate of deposit to April 25, 1905	72.34
July 14.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	210.00
Nov. 15.	Interest from Minn. Loan & Trust Co. on \$4000.00 certificate of deposit to Oct. 25, 1905	70.00

1906

Jan. 3.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	6,000.00
Jan. 6.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	3,000.00
Jan. 17.	Cash from beneficiary fund not used.....	150.00
	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	2,817.90
Total Receipts.....		\$26,810.86

Disbursements.

Cash paid on the following orders since Jan. 19th, 1905.

No.		
36—	Pioneer Press Co. printing last year.....	\$32.60
1—	Wm. A. McGonagle Grand Master's ex- penses	300.00
2—	Thos. Montgomery, G. Sec., two assistants	25.00
3—	C. J. Krueger, Grand Tiler.....	25.00
4—	Thos. Montgomery, G. Sec., contingent ex- penses	225.00
5—	Thos. Montgomery, G. Sec., office rent....	150.00
6—	Irving Todd, report on correspondence....	100.00
7—	Custodians, mileage and per diem.....	110.72
8—	J. J. Buckhout preparing Grand Lodge rooms	25.00
9—	Lida Pierson, Balance of 1904 appropriation for E. C. Pierson	90.00
10—	Lodge No. 1 for widow of Bro. M. Shortell	25.00
11—	Lodge No. 32 for Bro. J. Batlek and wife	50.00
12—	Lodge No. 36 for Bro. J. S. Benedict and wife	100.00
13—	Lodge No. 39 for Bro. Adrian Drost.....	100.00
14—	Lodge No. 72 for Bro. R. N. Green.....	50.00
15—	Lodge No. 91 for Mrs. David Watson....	100.00
16—	Lodge No. 93 for Bro. A. C. Johnson, \$50.00; Mrs. S. N. Wright, \$50.00.....	100.00
17—	Lodge No. 108 for Bro. J. E. Getman and wife	150.00
18—	Lodge No. 126 for Mrs. A. D. Scott....	50.00
19—	Lodge No. 128 for Bro. A. N. Drake.....	100.00
20—	Lodge No. 138 for Bro. L. B. Woolson....	100.00
21—	Lodge No. 153 for Mrs S. W. Chadbourne	100.00
22—	Lodge No. 172 for Bro. A. H. Stram....	100.00
23—	David W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer for Bro. Thomas J. Lombard, \$200.00; Albert Marden \$50	250.00
24—	David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., Widows' and Orphans' fund	4,000.00

25—David W. Knowlton, G. Treas., pay roll 1905	2,550.60
26—Fred L. Gray Co., G. Treas., bond.....	30.00
27—Thos. Montgomery, G. Sec., on salary....	312.50
28—Thos. Montgomery, pictures Grand Master Adams and McGonagle	97.00
29—Pioneer Press Co. printing proceedings..	366.19
30—L. B. B. Sprague, Treas. Masonic Veterans..	100.00
31—Charles Griswold, school instruction.....	16.50
32—L. N. Bryant, insurance.....	16.80
33—L. N. Bryant, insurance.....	25.20
34—Rich & Clymer, printing bills.....	38.75
35—Thos. Montgomery, G. Sec., on salary..	312.50
36—Thos. Montgomery, G. Sec., office rent....	150.00
37—Wm. S. Combs, repairing jewels.....	9.20
38—Thos. Montgomery, G. Sec., on salary....	312.50
39—Pioneer Press Co., printing and binding	54.75
40—Henderson, Ames Co., collars and aprons..	299.56
41—L. N. Bryant, insurance	25.20
42—Thos. Montgomery, G. Sec., salary for Oct., Nov. and Dec. 1905	312.50
43—Pioneer Press Co., printing	26.25
Total payments	\$11,514.32
Balance in Treasury Jan. 17, 1906.....	15,296.54
Total as above.....	\$26,810.86

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Receipts.

1905		
Jan. 19.	Balance in treasury as per last report.....	\$947.31
Jan. 23.	Cash from General fund.....	4,000.00
Mar. 28.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis bonds Nos. 94 and 107 to April 1, 1905.....	322.50
April 25.	Six months' interest on certificate of deposit Minn. Loan & Trust Co. to April 25, 1905	18.08
June 26.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis bonds Nos. 108, 109, 142, 213 and 407 to July 1, 1905	215.00
	Six months' interest on St. Louis Co. bond No. 59 to July 1, 1905.....	20.00
Aug. 1.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis Chamber Commerce bonds to Aug. 1, 1905, Nos. 401, 402, 403, 442 and 443.....	112.50

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Sept. 28.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis bonds Nos. 94 and 107 to Oct. 1, 1905.....	322.50
Nov. 15.	Six months' interest on certificate of deposit Minn. Loan & Trust Co. to Oct. 25, 1905	17.50
1906		
Jan. 2.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis bonds Nos. 108, 109, 142, 213, and 407 to Jan. 1, 1906	215.00
	Six months' interest on St. Louis Co. bond No. 59 to Jan. 1, 1906.....	20.00
Total		\$6,210.39

Disbursements.

1905		
April 26.	Cash paid for five Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce bonds	\$5,217.03
	Balance in Treasury Jan. 17, 1906.....	993.36
		\$6,210.39

BENEFICIARY FUND.

Receipts.

1905		
Jan. 19.	Cash received from General fund for Bro. Thos. J. Lombard, \$200.00; Bro. Albert Mar- den, \$50.00	\$250.00

Disbursements.

1905		
	Cash disbursed in quarterly installments to the above named beneficiaries, as follows....	100.00
	Balance not used turned over to general fund	150.00
		\$250.00

RECAPITULATION.

General Fund.

Cash on hand Jan. 17, 1906.....	\$15,296.54
Certificates of deposit Minn. Loan & Trust Co.....	4,000.00
Total in General Fund	19,296.54

Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

Cash on hand Jan. 17, 1906	\$993.36
Certificate of Deposit Minn. Loan & Trust Co.....	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 94 par value.....	15,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 107 par value.....	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 107 par value.....	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 108 par value.....	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 109 par value.....	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 142 par value.....	2,000.00
St. Louis County Bond No. 59 par value.....	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 213 par value.....	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis Bond No. 407 par value.....	3,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Bond No. 401 par value	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Bond No. 402 par value	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Bond No. 403 par value	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Bond No. 442 par value	1,000.00
Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce Bond No. 443 par value	1,000.00
Total in Widows' and Orphans' Fund.....	\$34,993.36
Grand Total in Both Funds.....	\$54,289.90

Fraternally submitted,

DAVID W. KNOWLTON,

Grand Treasurer.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

M. W. Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

In submitting my seventeenth annual report as your Grand Secretary, I am pleased to report a continuation of the sure and steady growth in membership which has for so many years marked the history of this Grand Body. Although 29 lodges have the same membership as a year ago and 76 have fallen behind 238 in numbers, yet the remaining 136 Chartered Lodges have made large gains, the increase in some being marvelous; and have carried us beyond the 21,000 mark which we had hoped to attain at the beginning of the year. Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 35, of Hastings with 86 members was

consolidated December 27th with Dakota, No. 7, of the same city after an existence of over 45 years. This gives No. 7 a membership of 184. The union was celebrated at the jubilee of Dakota No. 7, held in Hastings on the 9th inst. Two other old Lodges, Golden Rule, No. 65, of Lakeland and Brownsville, No. 73, having been greatly reduced in numbers, surrendered their charters during the year and turned in their books and property to the Grand Lodge. This left us 241 active chartered Lodges out of 260 on the roll. Returns have been received from each of these Lodges, but as usual many were late in arriving. Nearly 200 were in my hands January 4th, the last day of grace; the others came straggling in since then. Numerous errors have been detected but most of them have already been corrected by correspondence with the Secretaries. We submit the following statement of gains and losses:

Initiated, 1455; passed, 1309; raised, 1284; joined, by dimit, 529; restored 69; total gains, 1882. Withdrawn, 672; stricken from roll, 205; suspended, 7; expelled, 4; died, 229; total losses, 1117. Net gain, 765; about the same as last year. Present membership in the chartered lodges 21,056. Twenty Lodges did no work, 31 raised between 10 and 20, and 8 raised over 20 as follows: Cataract, No. 2, Minneapolis, 22; St. Paul, No. 3, St. Paul, 23; Minneapolis, No. 19, Minneapolis, 57; Palestine, No. 79, Duluth, 37; Khurum, No. 112, Minneapolis, 25; Braden, No. 168, St. Paul, 26; Ionic, No. 186, Duluth, 47; Montgomery, No. 258, St. Paul, 25; Ionic, No. 186, heads the list again with the largest net gain, 103; Minneapolis, No. 19, coming next with 75. The former added 109 to its roll during the year, the latter 100.

The Lodges at Akeley and Bricelyn were chartered last year as Nos. 259 and 260 respectively. Charters were duly prepared and these Lodges constituted by the Grand Master in person, his reports of same being filed in my office. The dispensation for the Lodge at Fairfax was renewed and by order of the Grand Master dispensations were issued for the formation of new Lodges as follows:

Feb. 2, 1905, Lake Wilson Lodge at Lake Wilson, Murray county.

April 5, 1905, Ramsey Lodge, at St. Paul, Ramsey county.

April 15, Virginia Lodge at Virginia, St. Louis county.

May 27, Compass Lodge at Robbinsdale, Hennepin county.

Aug. 2, 1805, Onyx Lodge at Westbrook, Cottonwood county.

All these Lodges have made returns of work done, have paid the fees for degrees conferred, have sent in their minute books for inspection and respectfully ask that charters be granted them.

The usual business of the office, including the issuing of commissions, notices, etc., has been faithfully attended to. The proceedings of 1905 were promptly printed and distributed as heretofore. The usual reduced railroad fare has been secured, thus effecting a great saving to Grand Lodge.

I referred at some length last year to the importance of preparing

a new Grand Lodge Register and Index, the old books being full. I reiterate what I then said. The Grand Lodge should make provision at once for the writing up of these valuable books. It is no part of the Grand Secretary's current duties to do this work and yet he ought to be induced either to do it or supervise the job. With the approval of the Grand Master and Grand Treasurer who were associated on the committee with me, I procured 800 loose leaves or sheets, ruled with 100 lines on each page, and a binder large enough to hold about half of them. This provides for unlimited expansion by procuring one or more additional binders, and extra leaves. On a part of these sheets I have after months of arduous writing at such time as I could spare, mostly out of office hours, just finished copying the names only of the 42,000 members recorded in the old register, and noted opposite the name of each member lost to his Lodge by death or otherwise, the date of same in the proper column. I deemed this work absolutely indispensable, for the correct notation of all casualties to the Lodge membership in the future as reported in the annual returns. This service is reasonably worth \$150 to \$200. The book is here for your inspection. The other data from the old register may or may not be transferred to the new one at the pleasure of the Grand Lodge. I would not urge it at present. Following the above 42,000 names I have registered in full the gains and losses of 1904 in the new book. I had no time to give attention to a new index the past year except after careful investigation to decide on what is needed. Books with room for 150,000 names can be had for \$75. I submit the matter of their purchase and preparation to the careful consideration of the Grand Lodge.

FINANCIAL.

The receipts of the past year have been as follows: Charter fees, Nos. 259 and 260, \$50.00; dispensation fees, five new lodges, \$100.00; arrears of dues eight lodges, \$56.90; from the two defunct lodges, \$47.20; fees and dues from the several lodges, \$11,773.80; a total of \$12,027.90 as shown by my cash book and the tabulated statement prepared from the returns and submitted herewith. Of this sum I paid the Grand Treasurer, July 13, 1905, \$210, Jan. 2, 1906, \$6000, Jan. 6, \$3000 and the balance of \$2817.91 today, for which I hold his receipts. Forty-three orders have been drawn on the Grand Treasurer for all purposes, aggregating \$11481.72 including \$4000.00 transferred to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. Grand Treasurer Knowlton's bond was promptly renewed last February and is on file in my office. Insurance to the amount of \$4000.00 is carried on the Grand Lodge property in my office. The new collars and aprons authorized to be purchased last year were procured at an expense of \$299.56. The jewels were repaired and replated and one new one purchased at an

expense of \$16.20. Tin boxes to properly care for the collars and aprons are yet to be procured. I have added some furniture to the office out of the contingent fund. We have a large accumulation of magazines in the library which I have assorted ready for binding. I ask for an appropriation of \$100.00 for binding magazines and proceedings, as none have been bound for several years.

Brethren: The work of this office for the past year has been arduous and exacting. I have done my best to serve you and hope my efforts have been satisfactory to you. My relations with the Grand Master and all the officers of the Grand Lodge and the officers and members of the Lodges with whom I have come in contact have been of the most pleasant character. It is a delight as well as honor to serve such grand men and faithful craftsmen. I regret that the demands on my time have prevented me from taking part in many Lodge functions to which I have been invited, although I have attended not a few. In closing I desire to thank my brethren of the Grand Lodge for their past confidence and hope ever to merit a continuation of the same.

THOS. MONTGOMERY,
Grand Secretary.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

ORATION.

Bro. Elmer A. Kling (140), Grand Orator, then delivered an excellent oration, which was listened to attentively and heartily received at the close. On motion of Bro. Wm. P. Roberts (4) a vote of thanks was given Brother Kling and he was requested to hand his address to the Grand Secretary for publication in the proceedings. (See Appendix for same.)

Past Grand Master G. S. Ives submitted a series of preambles and resolutions relating to the raising of funds for a Masonic Home through a corporate organization. These were referred to a special committee consisting of Bros. A. D. Countryman (137), Henry R. Adams (224), and W. A. Nolan (121), and 9:30 a. m. to-morrow was fixed for the consideration of the said resolutions and the report of said committee.

A request from the members of Faribault Lodge, No. 9, duly certified under seal, that they may be permitted to surrender their present charter, dated Oct. 25, 1865, and in lieu

thereof to have restored to them the charter of old Faribault Lodge, No. 9, dated Jan. 6, 1857, was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

In response to a question from Bro. J. W. Wright (89) as to the status in Grand Lodge of the District Deputies present, the Grand Master ruled that they would be considered as members of the Grand Lodge for this session until the Grand Lodge took action on the report of the special committee to whom that portion of his address relating to the subject should be referred.

Bro. Irving Todd submitted his report on Correspondence. Ordered printed as an appendix to the proceedings.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 9:30 a. m. to-morrow.

During the evening the third degree was exemplified in a very creditable manner by the officers of Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, St. Paul, the great hall and galleries being crowded by several hundred brethren.

SECOND DAY.

ST. PAUL, THURSDAY, Jan. 18, 1906.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9:30 a. m. Officers as on yesterday.

A number of petitions from Lodges for the relief of needy cases were referred without reading to the Committee on Appropriations. Resolutions providing for a salary of \$250 for the Grand Treasurer, for \$100 for printing the proceedings of the Masonic Veterans' Association, and \$25 for Bro. J. J. Buckhout for caring for rooms, were referred to the same committee.

A resolution offered by Bro. W. H. Ronald (187), providing for a change in the law, by having the Annual Com-

munication of Grand Lodge alternate between the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, was declared out of order by the Grand Master, and withdrawn.

The Committee on Monument to Past Grand Master Pierson reported progress, and that in addition to the \$100 appropriated by Grand Lodge last year, \$100 was appropriated by the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons and \$50 by the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, a total available fund of \$250, and asked to be continued, which request was granted.

REPORT ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The committee on the address of the Grand Master submitted the following report, which was adopted:

To the M. . W. . Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom was referred the very able address of the Grand Master, respectfully recommend:

1. That all which relates to Decisions, By-laws, Special Dispensations, Lodges Consolidated and surrender of Charters be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

2. That all which relates to marking the grave of Past Grand Master Pierson, Grand Lodge aprons, collars and jewels and Register be referred to the Committee on Finance.

3. That all relating to new Lodges be referred to the Committee on Lodges U. . D. .

4. That all relating to District Deputies be referred to a special committee of three.

5. That all relating to deceased brethren be referred to a special committee of three.

6. That the residue be referred to a special committee of three.

H. C. SHEPARD,
W. D. UNDERHILL,
H. M. MYERS,

Committee.

The Grand Master appointed special committees as provided for as follows:

4. Bros. Burdett Thayer (58), W. A. Barto (159), Wm. Strafford (56).

5. Bros. A. G. Pinkham (33), Chas. Griswold (3), P. G. Woodward (30).

6. Bros. W. A. Hawkins (119), W. W. Sivright (59), Chas. A. Bronson (79).

MASONIC HOME.

The following report of the special committee on the resolutions presented yesterday by Bro. G. S. Ives was submitted:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your special committee to whom was referred the resolutions offered by Bro. G. S. Ives relating to a Masonic Home, having considered the same, respectfully recommend their adoption.

A. D. COUNTRYMAN,
H. R. ADAMS,
W. A. NOLAN,

Committee.

The preambles and resolutions were again read by Brother Ives, who moved their adoption. A general discussion ensued, participated in by Brothers Ives, Stebbins, West, Miles, Hunt, Sawyer, Denny, H. R. Wells, McGonagle, E. Nash, Roberts and Markham. A substitute motion by Bro. W. A. McGonagle, to refer the whole matter to the incoming Grand Master, to be by him submitted to the Lodges, was lost by a vote of 112 for to 125 against. A motion of Bro. H. R. Wells to strike out of the first preamble all allusion to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, was carried. A motion of Bro. A. T. Stebbins to amend, by substituting \$100,000 for \$75,000 as the amount necessary to be secured before building a home, was carried. On motion of Bro. G. S. Ives a roll call by Lodges was ordered on the amended preambles and resolutions, which were passed by a vote of 347 in favor to 267 against. The following is the text of the preambles and resolutions as amended and adopted:

WHEREAS, In view of what has been accomplished and is being done in other Masonic jurisdictions in aid of indigent members of the Fraternity, their wives, widows and children, through the medium of homes, orphanages, schools, hospitals, etc., and

WHEREAS, the time is not far distant when an institution for the relief of those who may need a permanent home, or special care and attention not otherwise obtainable will be needed in this jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, it seems proper and expedient that some steps should be taken by this Grand Body to provide for the accumulation of a fund to be employed at some time in the future for the erection and maintenance of a Masonic Home in the state of Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, while it may be conceded that such an enterprise should not be directly carried on by the Grand Lodge as such, yet it is apparent that a great and important undertaking of this character, which so radically affects the policy of Masonic aid in this jurisdiction, should not be entered upon without the direct sanction, approval and co-operation of this Grand Body.

Be It Therefore Resolved, That the incoming Grand Master appoint a committee of twelve whose duty it shall be to organize and perfect a corporation under the laws of the state of Minnesota, having for its object the accumulation of a fund and the erection and maintenance of a Masonic Home in this jurisdiction;

Provided, That in addition to this Grand Lodge, the following organizations shall, if practicable, be represented on said committee, viz.:

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons; the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar; the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters; the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons, and the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, all of Minnesota.

Resolved Further, That the articles of incorporation to be prepared and adopted by such committee shall provide among other things:

First, That such home shall not be built until at least one hundred thousand dollars shall be secured, at least fifty thousand dollars of which shall be reserved as a permanent endowment fund.

Second, That the general plan for accumulation of such funds shall be through voluntary contributions, gifts, bequests, voluntary membership fees from Lodges and individuals, deposits in trust, and through such other means as the By-Laws of said corporation may provide.

Third, That such committee shall constitute the first board of trustees of said corporation to hold office until the next annual meeting, and that the trustees thereafter shall be selected by the Grand Lodge, such other organizations above named (as far as practicable) and by the members of said corporation, at such times and in such manner as said committee shall prescribe. *Provided*, however, that the Grand Lodge shall be entitled to name at least four members of said board.

Fourth, That the annual meetings of said corporation shall take place at the time of the meeting of the Grand Lodge, or immediately thereafter.

On motion the election of officers was made the special order of business for 2:30 p. m.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2:30 p. m.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, THURSDAY, Jan. 18, 1906.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2:30 p. m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

This being the hour fixed for the election of officers, the Grand Master appointed the following tellers to collect and count the votes: Bros. J. H. Johnson (224), John Sims, Jr. (141), J. Q. Mackintosh (118), and W. W. Sivright (59).

Ballots were distributed and collected, the Grand Secretary calling the roll of all entitled to vote. The following officers were declared duly elected:

Thomas Morris (141), Crookston.....	M. W.	Grand Master
Gustaf Widell (12), Mankato.....	R. W.	Deputy Grand Master
William P. Roberts (4), Minneapolis..	R. W.	Senior Grand Warden
Eugene E. Swan (229), Stewart.....	R. W.	Junior Grand Warden
David W. Knowlton (112), Minneapolis...	R. W.	Grand Treasurer
Thos Montgomery (54), St. Paul.....	R. W.	Grand Secretary

On the announcement of the election of Brother Morris as Grand Master, the Past Grand Masters present were requested to retire and escort the Grand Master-elect within the hall. This was done, and Brother Morris was presented at the altar, congratulated by the Grand Master, and received with the Grand Honors. Brother Morris was then escorted to the Grand East, where he expressed his thanks to Grand Lodge for the high honor conferred upon him.

While the several ballots were being counted, a number of committees reported, as follows:

REPORT ON DECEASED BRETHREN.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Deceased Brethren would render loving tribute to the memory of those who, during the year just ended, have passed from the labors of earth to the rest and refreshment of Paradise. Their kindly acts and deeds will long remain as an inspiration for those who follow them. To their friends in this and sister jurisdictions we extend heartfelt and fraternal sympathy.

A. G. PINKHAM,
CHAS. GRISWOLD,
P. G. WOODWARD,
Committee.

Concurred in.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LODGES U. D.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Lodges U. D. have carefully examined the minutes and returns of the following Lodges U. D. viz.:

Fairfax, at Fairfax; Lake Wilson, at Lake Wilson; Ramsey, at St. Paul; Virginia, at Virginia; Compass, at Robbinsdale, and Onyx, at Westbrook and with a few minor exceptions, find the same correct. The errors have been pointed out to the officers present and in notes attached to the minutes.

We are pleased to notice a record by some of these Lodges of valuable historical data, leading up to their organization as a Lodge, and recommend that this practice be adhered to, and that where practicable a copy of the petition for dispensation and a copy of the dispensation itself be entered on the minutes.

We recommend that Charters be granted said Lodges and that in the case of Ramsey Lodge the name be changed to Tusler Lodge agreeably to a vote of said Lodge.

J. D. MARKHAM,
J. H. JOHNSON,
ALBERT MARDEN,
C. E. REED,
A. W. CORNMAN,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT ON DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom was referred that portion of the address of the Grand Master relating to District Deputies, beg leave to report as follows:

That in our opinion the resolution passed by this Grand Lodge in 1905 amending section 63 of the General Regulations, whereby District Deputies were made members of this Grand Lodge, is constitutional and valid, and the exercise of the same power and authority used in creating Past Grand Masters, Past Deputy Grand Masters and Past Senior and Junior Grand Wardens members of this Grand Lodge. We recommend that all District Deputies who have in good faith attended this annual communication of the Grand Lodge as members thereof be paid per diem and mileage for such attendance.

BURDETTE THAYER,
W. A. BARTO,
WM. STRAFFORD,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

1.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to whom was referred that portion of the address of the Grand Master relating to decisions, by-laws, consolidation of Lodges and surrender of charters, fraternally report that having considered the same, we find them in conformity with Masonic law and usage and recommend that they be confirmed and approved.

Adopted.

2.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to whom was referred a resolution from Faribault Lodge, No. 9, requesting the restoration of the charter of Old Faribault Lodge, No. 9, granted January 6, 1857, and surrendered June 1, 1865, the same to be substituted for their present charter granted Oct. 25, 1865 which they offered to surrender, having had the same under consideration, fraternally report: That inasmuch as a precedent has already been established by this Grand Lodge in a similar case, and inasmuch as said charter is of no value except to

Faribault Lodge, No. 9, we therefore recommend that said request be granted, and that said Lodge be authorized to work and act hereafter under said restarted charter.

H. R. WELLS,
CHAS. GRISWOLD,
H. R. DENNY,
A. T. STEBBINS,
G. S. IVES,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT ON ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Ancient Landmarks beg leave to report that nothing has been referred to them for consideration. They have made diligent search through the archives and find the Landmarks all safe.

A BRANDENBURG,
LAWRENCE HOPE,
CHAS. L. WEST,
CHAS. W. NASH,
H. R. ADAMS,

Committee.

Concurred in.

REPORT ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

I.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances having had under consideration the petition of Harry A. Subilia, late a member of Charity Lodge No. 98, for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry and being satisfied that the petitioner is now worthy and will in the future yield cheerful obedience to our Laws and Regulations, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Henry A. Subilia, late a member of Charity Lodge No. 98, be and he hereby is restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

Adopted.

2.

Your committee have had under consideration the respective petitions of D. B. York, late a member of Washington Lodge, No. 38, and J. N. Barton, late a member of Lake View Lodge,

No. 143, for restoration to all the rights and privileges of Masonry and respectively report: That by a regulation of this Grand Lodge it is required that when a petition for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry shall be presented to this Grand Lodge by one who has been indefinitely suspended or expelled, the applicant for restoration shall at least sixty days prior to the session of the Grand Lodge at which such petition shall be acted upon, serve upon the Lodge by which he was suspended or expelled a notice in writing that such petition will be so presented, and shall cause proof of the service of such notice to be filed with the Grand Secretary. The notice required by this regulation not having been given by either of said applicants your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the applications of D B. York and J. N. Barton for restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry, and each of said applications be and the same is hereby denied, with leave to each of said applicants to renew such application at a future session of this Grand Lodge.

W. C. ODELL,
J. H. SPROUT,
L. A. HANES,
W. A. MCGONAGLE,
EDW. A. THIEM,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

To the M. . W. . Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Returns have carefully examined all the returns of Lodges, and respectfully report as follows:

Fourteen Returns, viz., Nos. 23, 80, 93, 142, 147, 152, 182, 188, 193, 207, 227, 232, 245 and 255 have no seal attached. Nos. 20, 58 and 200 do not report any appointed officers. Nos. 96, 125, 136, 142 and 189 omit names of Stewards and 159 name of Tyler. Nos. 182, 206, 232 and 242, not signed by W. . M. ., and No. 232 not signed by Secretary. No. 206 has had no election. No. 228 omits dates of losses. Balances due Grand Lodges: No. 39, 40c; No. 44, 40c; No. 54, 40c; No. 56, 40c; No. 228, 80c. Overpaid dues: No. 14, \$1.60; No. 17, 80c; No. 47, 40c; No. 52, 80c; No. 55, \$1.20; No. 61, \$3.00; No. 62, 80c; No. 69, 80c; No. 72, 40c; No. 77, \$1.20; No. 82, 80c; No. 83, \$4.00; No. 84, 80c; No. 86, 40c; No. 92, \$1.80; No. 109, \$2.00; No. 110, 40c; No. 123, \$3.60; No. 159, \$1.60; No. 161, \$1.00; No. 175, \$1.00; No. 180, 80c; No. 189, 40c; No. 196, 40c; No. 197, 80c; No. 201, 40c; No. 202, \$1.60; No. 204, 80c; No. 205, \$2.40; No. 208, \$5.80; No. 210, 40c;

No. 211, 40c; No. 218, 40c; No. 219, 40c; No. 226, 80c; No. 235, 80c; No. 251, 80c; No. 252, \$1.60; No. 255, \$1.60; No. 257, 40c; No. 259, \$3.20.

Something should be done to relieve the Grand Secretary from the unnecessary annoyance and labor imposed upon him by the carelessness and negligence of many Lodge Secretaries. We recommend that the Grand Master direct his District Deputies to thoroughly instruct the Secretaries how to make out their Lodge returns.

Your committee wish to extend thanks to the Grand Secretary for his courtesy and assistance, which materially lessened our labors.

We carefully checked over his superb and carefully compiled statement of Lodge returns and found the same complete and correct.

JOHN. T. JOHNSON,

C. M. JOHNSON,

JULIUS A. SCHMAHL,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

The Board of Custodians respectfully report that during the week immediately prior to the convening of this Grand Lodge they held their annual meeting in the City of St. Paul, in accordance with the terms of Sec. 148, of the Masonic Code, for the purpose of reviewing the work and lectures pertaining to the several degrees, and giving instruction therein to such of the Brethren as presented themselves to receive the same. That they held three sessions each day during said week, at which all the Members of the Board were present except Bro. William R. Smith, who was detained at home by reason of sickness. There were also present at said meeting for the purpose of receiving such instruction 186 Master Masons, most of whom were Masters and Wardens representing 103 different Lodges; to wit: Nos. 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 16, 18, 20, 23, 26, 30, 31, 33, 41, 45, 48, 49, 58, 60, 62, 63, 64, 79, 82, 83, 86, 87, 89, 90, 92, 93, 94, 96, 97, 99, 101, 108, 109, 110, 114, 116, 119, 126, 128, 129, 134, 136, 137, 139, 140, 141, 143, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 152, 154, 155, 156, 158, 159, 160, 162, 163, 164, 165, 167, 168, 169, 171, 177, 178, 180, 182, 184, 191, 194, 197, 198, 199, 205, 207, 216, 221, 222, 224, 227, 228, 229, 230, 235, 236, 237, 238, 246, 252, 255, 259.

CHAS. GRISWOLD,

Chairman.

J. H. SPROUT,

Secretary.

Concurred in.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Finance respectfully report that we have examined the books, bonds, reports and vouchers of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and find them to be in good order and carefully and correctly kept. All the money received by the Grand Secretary has been turned over to the Grand Treasurer, and the balances as shown by their respective cash books, fully agree.

We have also counted the bonds and other securities now in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, and find that they agree with his report.

We have also had under consideration those matters in the Grand Master's address relating to Grand Lodge regalia and jewels and new register, and recommend that the action of the Grand Master and other officers therein be approved.

In view of the large balance now in the Grand Lodge treasury, \$19,296.54, we recommend that \$10,000, be transferred from the General Fund to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

A. D. COUNTRYMAN,
E. C. BAIRD,
J. L. KROGSTAD,
A. B. CHURCH,
H. A. WELLS,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Appropriations recommend that the following sums be appropriated from the General Fund of the Grand Lodge, for the following purposes:

Grand Master Henry M. Tusler, expenses past year.....	\$300.00
Grand Secretary, salary for 1906.....	1,250.00
Grand Secretary, two assistants this session.....	25.00
Grand Secretary, contingent expenses.....	225.00
Grand Secretary, office rent.....	300.00
Grand Tyler C. J. Kruger, this session.....	25.00
Printing 1,350 proceedings of 1906, and other printing..	600.00
Board of Custodians.....	400.00
Chairman Committee on Correspondence.....	100.00
Bond of Grand Treasurer.....	30.00
Salary of Grand Treasurer.....	200.00

Fire Insurance, premium.....	70.00
Pay roll, 1906.....	2,728.75
J. J. Buckhout, taking care of Grand Lodge rooms.....	50.00
Binding Proceedings and Periodicals.....	100.00
Minnesota Masonic Veterans' Association, for printing....	100.00

Amounts to be paid to the following Lodges for relief of persons named:

Western Star, No. 26, widow of Bro. Sidney Partridge....	\$50.00
Sakatah, No. 32, Bro. Joseph Batlik.....	50.00
Preston, No. 36, Bro. J. S. Benedict and wife.....	100.00
Lansing, No. 72, Bro. R. N. Green.....	75.00
Howard, No. 82, widow of T. B. Folz.....	50.00
Antiquity, No. 91, widow of David Watson.....	100.00
Unity, No. 93, Bro. A. C. Johnson.....	50.00
Sherburn, No. 95, widow of Bro. P. O. Haws.....	100.00
Orion, No. 138, Bro. L. B. Woolson.....	100.00

Your committee further recommend the payment by the Grand Treasurer of the following amounts to the following named persons: Alice P. Goodrich, Chicago, Ill., widow of P. D. G. M. Aaron Goodrich, in equal monthly payments, \$240.00. R. W. Bro. Albert Marden, New Ulm, \$50.00 in equal quarterly payments.

We further recommend that the sum of \$10,000.00 be transferred from the General Fund to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

W. B. PATTON,
H. P. FAHNESTOCK,
J. M. TRICKEY,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT ON RESIDUE OF ADDRESS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom was referred the residue of the address of the Grand Master, not otherwise referred, heartily indorse the same and recommend its approval.

W. A. HAWKINS,
W. W. SIVRIGHT,
CHAS. A. BRONSON,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business report that they know of no business not already reported or in the hands of the proper committees.

EDGAR NASH,
FRANK L. GOWAN,
MALCOLM McKAY,
Committee.

Concurred in.

The Committee on pay roll were authorized to pay the members their mileage and per diem at the close of the election of officers, their report to be filed with the Grand Secretary when completed.

The following resolution, offered by Bro. A. Brandenburg, was adopted.

Resolved that the taking of pictures in the Grand Lodge room at any time during the session of the Grand Lodge is hereafter prohibited.

On motion of Brother McGonagle, the usual vote of thanks was tendered the St. Paul Masonic Union for the free use of the rooms used for Grand Lodge purposes.

On motion of Brother Countryman the several railroads were voted the thanks of the Grand Lodge for reduced fare to members.

The Grand Master-elect announced the names of the appointed officers as follows:

W. Bro. Owen Morris (5), St. Paul.....Grand Orator
W. Bro. Alfred G. Pinkham, (33), Owatonna.....Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. Sheldon L. Frazer (186), Duluth.....Senior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. Horace M. Myers (19), Minneapolis.....Junior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. H. W. Hendrickson (109), Montevideo.....Grand Marshal
W. Bro. Wm. A. Nolan (121), Grand Meadow.....Grand Standard Bearer
W. Bro. Edwin H. Foot (8), Red Wing.....Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bro. W. C. Masterman (1), Stillwater.....Senior Grand Steward
W. Bro. Charles W. Stites (146), Lake Benton.....Junior Grand Steward
W. Bro. E. H. Sherwin (16), Monticello.....Grand Pursuivant
W. Bro. Chas. J. Kruger (5), St Paul.....Grand Tyler

The Grand Officers elected and appointed, except the Grand Orator, Grand Chaplain and Senior Grand Steward (who will be installed in their respective Lodges), were then installed into their respective offices by M.'. W.'. Bro. Henry M. Tusler, M.'. W.'. Bro. Wm. A. McGonagle acting as Grand Marshal.

The Grand Master appointed the following committees:

On Correspondence—Bros. Irving Todd (7), Thomas Montgomery (54), George H. Houghton (2).

On Returns of Lodges—Bros. J. T. Johnson (99), Ole C. Hanson (133), C. M. Johnson (164).

He also appointed Bro. David W. Knowlton (112), Custodian for the term of five years, to succeed himself.

The Grand Master, after the close of the session, appointed the following brethren as a committee on Masonic Home, as provided for in the resolutions of Bro. G. S. Ives, viz.:

(Names not selected up to March 6.)

No further business appearing, the Grand Lodge was closed at 6:15 p. m. in AMPLE FORM, peace and harmony prevailing.



THOMAS MORRIS,
Grand Master.

Attest:

Thos. Montgomery

Grand Secretary.

ORATION.

BY BRO. ELMER A. KLING, LITTLE FALLS.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers of this Grand Body, and Brothers of the Universal Brotherhood.

Before attempting to say anything else, permit me, Most Worshipful Sir, to take advantage of this my first opportunity to do so in a public way, and thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me by inviting me to address this Grand Lodge. It is an honor and a pleasure to address a gathering of intelligent citizens on any subject that tends to promote the happiness and welfare of the community and state; it is the highest honor to be allowed to address a body of men like this, men who represent the best, and highest, and noblest of our great state, a state of which we are so justly proud. And when I remember that from all the wealth and talent and beauty of oratory of which this Grand Jurisdiction has been so fortunate as to possess, that the richest, the brightest and the best have been chosen, and have been thankful for the opportunity of addressing this grand body, and to which many of you here today have had the pleasure of listening, I am reminded of the time when I was informed that my duties were extremely weighty, and that I might well shrink from assuming them. But I know that Masonic charity covers all shortcomings, and though I address you today confident of my inability to do justice to the great theme we are considering, if I succeed in presenting for your consideration a thought that shall make us better Masons, better citizens, better men than before, I will feel that our labors have not been in vain.

We are to be congratulated, my brethren, on the fact that so many of our past grand officers are with us on this occasion. It is a pleasure and a privilege to meet with them and to profit by their experience, much of it gained in the rough school of necessity, and whose Masonic knowledge was obtained at a time and under circumstances that meant sacrifice. Strong in the faith, rich in wisdom, with hearts overflowing with love for us, the younger members of the Craft, who must take up the burdens and responsibilities when they

shall lay them down, let us emulate their example and profit by the teachings they so freely are giving us.

Allow me to congratulate you also on the prosperous condition of the Craft throughout this jurisdiction, and the brotherly love that exists between the members who have the good fortune to be governed by our present Grand Master, and whom you, Sir, have the honor of governing. As we ask "how goes the hour?" the answer comes that we are at the meridian height of God's love and bounty, that the Craft have labored well and faithfully, and our Mystic Temple, steadily growing, reflects the glory and beauty of Masonic light and truth. From the west comes tidings that none have gone away dissatisfied, and that harmony, our great strength and support, exists among us in all that the word implies; and from the north we see the reflection of the bright light, shining from the East and from our altar. There is no place of darkness in this jurisdiction, and while we as Masons recognize that Masonry knows and recognizes no particular locality, we as Masons of the jurisdiction of Minnesota may justly be proud of this state, the state of the adoption of so many of us, yet to us the dearest spot on earth, that of home. We are proud of it because its hills contain mines richer than the fabled mines of Golconda; because the breezes that play over its prairies stir miles and miles of golden grain like the billows of the ocean; because sparkling in the sunshine set like gems in Nature's crown, hundreds of lakes invite the afflicted to come and partake of the waters of health; because the pioneers who made the beginning of the change from an empire of wilderness to an empire of homes, who laid the foundations of our cities and began the development of our prairies and forests and mines, were Masons; because the history of civilization, and progress and culture is the history of Masonry; because our fathers and brothers carried with them the Great Lights and erected the altars of Masonry as a protector to the home even as the children of Israel carried the ark of the covenant and erected the tabernacle in the lands they conquered and possessed; because in those dark days of struggle for existence as a nation the "Star of the North," almost the latest addition to the constellation on our flag, gave of its bravest, and best, and truest sons, who at the great crisis of the cause for which they fought willingly offered themselves as a sacrifice that right and the Nation might live. We are proud of all this as citizens, but we are prouder because of the part that our brothers and fathers acted, that equality should be a fact and not a theory, that liberty might live, and that no man, standing in the shadow of our flag, should wear the fetters of slavery.

Much has been written and said on why we are Masons, and many excellent truths have been preserved to us, that otherwise might have been lost among the rubbish. But it seems to me that

before we attempt any explanation of why we are Masons it might be well to ascertain whether in truth we are part and parcel of this great Fraternity, qualified to travel and work, or whether we simply belong to the Order and are authorized to work. Whether our work is square, and true, and good; whether when it leaves our hands it is to be adjusted in the temple by the tools of the fellow craft, or cast aside as worthless. Are we Masons because of a sincere wish to be of service to our fellow creatures, or is it because it is popular to wear the badge of Masonry? Is our knowledge of the Institution limited and circumscribed by the ritual, or have we sought to penetrate the mysteries? Have we the spirit of Masonry, or have we the theory only? Can we, as we gather here today, call to mind some good done since we parted a year ago? Have we measured our conduct and decided it by the question of whether it was right, or did we decide whether or not it was profitable? Have we made the widow's heart glad, and caused the happy tears of joy to flow instead of the bitter tears of sorrow? Have we stood by the grave of a brother who has been summoned to join the innumerable caravan that moves to the mysterious realm, and joined with the brethren in paying to the brother the last tribute of affection and love? Have we placed upon the casket that enclosed his remains the emblem of purity and all perfection with which, perhaps, we assisted to invest him when he was made a Mason? Have we strewn upon his grave garlands of flowers plucked by loving hands, woven by fingers of tenderness and baptized with tears of sorrow; have we with prayer and ceremony consigned his body to the earth and his spirit unto God who gave it, and have, we while doing this, shed tears of sorrow unmingled with regret, or have we wished that we could call him from the dead long enough to ask his forgiveness for the wrongs we have done him? There is a world of meaning in the lines

"If I should die to-night,
My friends would call to mind with loving thought,
Some kindly deed these willing hands had wrought,
Some gentle words the frozen lips had said,
Errands on which the willing feet had sped;
The memory of my selfishness and pride,
My hasty words, would all be put aside,
And so I should be loved and mourned to-night.

Oh, friends, I pray to-night,
Keep not your kisses for my dead, cold brow,
The way is lonely; let me feel them now.
Think gently of me; I am travel worn;
My faltering feet are pierced with many a thorn.
Forgive, oh heart estranged, forgive, I plead.
When dreamless rest is mine I shall not need
The tenderness for which I long to-night."

Have we seen some one, perhaps a brother's sister or daughter, who, meeting a temptation all too strong to bear, had grievously sinned, and had started along the way that leads to the land where women live without honor, unheeding the warning before her "All ye who enter here, leave hope behind?" If we have, have we tried and succeeded, in saving her from her sins and restoring her to her loved ones, locking the secret of her wrongs in our breasts, or did we pass by on the other side as if her touch were contamination; or worse still, have we ratified the contemptible doctrine advocated by some that there is one standard of morality for woman and another for man, and joined the pack that cried her down while lionizing her tempter and destroyer?

• These may seem idle words to you, but to me it seems that these questions must be asked and answered right before we can attempt to explain why we are Masons; more than that, there yet remains one of the tenets of our profession found within the points of the compass—and that is love—brotherly love, the greatest, the best and the noblest impulse that has ever moved mankind to deeds of daring, sacrifice and devotion. Which moves us to regard a brother's welfare equally with our own; which makes us rejoice at his prosperity instead of filling us with envy; which keeps back the tongue of slander; which makes us put forth our hand to aid a brother; which sends us to our brother to remind him in a tender manner of his faults instead of advertising his failures in public and to the delight of his enemies; that which exemplifies in every day life the doctrine that it is more blessed to give than to receive; for "Love is not getting, but giving; not a wild stream of pleasure, and a madness of desire; Oh, no! love is not that—it is goodness, and honor, and peace, and pure living—yes, love is that; and it is the best thing in the world, and the thing that lives longest."

"Westward the course of empire takes its way" was as true centuries ago as it was at the time it became a watchword, in the memory of men now living. Long before the Temple was built there was comparatively a high order of civilization in India. Temples and palaces were built by the operative craft, commerce flourished, and the arts and sciences were developed. Through Persia, Arabia and Syria civilization went, until on a promontory on the eastern shore of the Mediterranean was built the old city of Tyre. A little further up the coast sprang up the city of Sidon. Several other cities were near, and extending from beyond Sidon to Tyre were the mountains of Lebanon, covered with the forests of cedar that was afterwards used in the temple erected to the great Jehovah. These cities and the territory in which they were situated composed Phoenecia. In commercial enterprise these Phoenecians far excelled and outstripped all the known nations of the earth. Opportunity to take the products of commerce brought to them by caravans from

Babylon, Persia, India and Southern Arabia and distribute them to the cities and countries developing on the other coasts of this sea produced a generation of sailors; the merchants grew rich and powerful, and there was not in all the world any artificers, especially cunning workers in metals, like hers. In the midst of the forests of cedar stood the city of Sidon; and as from the men of Tyre came merchants and sailors and workers in metal, so from the Sidonians came the hewers of the cedars, more skillful in their work, if possible, than their brethren of Tyre. So Tyre and Sidon grew and progressed in the arts and civilization before they first appear in authentic history.

Beside them there had been planted and had grown a nation as great in its way as Phoenecia was in its own. No contrast could be greater than the contrast between these two people. The Israelites were a plain, pastoral and agricultural people, without knowledge of the arts and sciences, without commercial relations with any other nation, without knowledge of any people except their own. Even in religion the difference was as great, for the Phoenecians were worshippers of idols and Israel worshipped the God we as Masons reverence and adore. Side by side they lived, without conflict, for neither were a warlike people, and without intimacy, for they had nothing in common, for more than four hundred years. At length when David was king of Israel, and by his wisdom and goodness had commanded the respect and attracted the attention of all the nations around, Hiram King of Tyre sent him a message of congratulation, and a formal recognition of the Israelitish monarch. David had just burst on the astonished world as a star of the first magnitude in the constellation of oriental monarchs, and this nation, so long a nation of shepards and farmers, gave evidence of succeeding, and the long deferred recognition of the Jews by the proud and wealthy king of Tyre proved that in those times, the same as in the twentieth century, nothing is so sure of succeeding as success. Hiram was proud to do honor to David, the successful king, and in proof of his sincerity, and in accordance with royal usage sent presents, chiefly of cedar from the mountains, with carpenters and masons to build a residence, a royal palace, fit for royalty. And that was the beginning of the intimacy between Jerusalem and Tyre.

A generation passed away. David was no longer king, but his son, Solomon reigned in his stead. A royal legacy was the inheritance left by David to his son, for when Solomon came to the throne of Israel the people were at peace with all the world and on terms of friendship, if not of intimacy, with their rich and powerful neighbors of Tyre and Sidon, for Hiram of Tyre now sat on the throne of Tyre and Sidon, united in one. The Jews had profited by the years of peace, and an abundance was on every hand.

Solomon, like David, had in his heart to build a temple in honor of his God. Now was the opportune time to build a palace, dedicated to the Great Jehovah, which should stand as a monument to its builder forever, for as Hiram the Great had sent messengers to recognize and congratulate David, so Hiram of Tyre sent his messengers to Solomon on his accession to the throne condoling him on the death of his father, and congratulating the newly crowned king. Solomon had reason to know the value of such friendship, especially at this time, for here were the people who could furnish what his people were lacking. Here were the cunning workers in gold and silver and brass, and the Sidonian hewers. An alliance was made, the first commercial treaty into which the Israelitish nation ever entered. Solomon exchanged the corn, and wine and oil of his country for the skill of the people of Hiram, and the cedar and fir trees of Lebanon.

Immediately the treaty became effective; thirty thousand men of Israel were in the mountains of Lebanon felling the cedars that the Sidonians hewed into form. Eighty thousand quarrymen and stone squarers were busy in the quarries in the mountains near Jerusalem, and the land from the mountains to the sea rang with the shouts of the seventy thousand bearers of burdens, the apprentices that carried the timbers to the sea shore, and from the shore of Joppa to the Temple.

It was not difficult for Solomon to furnish the measures of wheat and baths of wine and oil, nor for Hiram to furnish the artisans and hewers. But here they were confronted with a more serious problem; the uniting in harmony these people of different nationalities, diverse languages and opposing interests. Some kind of an organization must be effected in which all should have a common interest, a common language and a common object. The King of Tyre sent with the artisans he furnished a master workman, Hiram the widow's son, who was master of the Dionysian artisans; and it fell to him not only to furnish plans for the trestle board and superintend the work, but to organize a society to unite these strangers as friends and enable them to understand each other, at least in technical language. Israel furnished the morals and religion of the society and the Phoenecians taught the arts and sciences. No religious qualification was required other than recognition of the God of Israel, and the Phoenecians of that time, like many worshippers of today, could perceive no great difference between the worship of their own deity and that of the Jews. All were pledged to be good men, and to continue as apprentices and craftsmen in the art until they should become accomplished workmen. As the kings of Tyre and Israel observed the peace and good will and harmony that exists among the workmen, they took this society

under their royal patronage and associated with them this remarkable man who commanded a greater royalty and aristocracy than the royalty of Hiram or the aristocracy of Solomon. The organization was perfected and the three thousand three hundred masters directed the work on the temple, in the quarries and the mountains by day, and at night instructed the craft, not only in their work but in lessons of morality and religion, until at the completion of the temple there went out bands of men qualified to travel and work in foreign countries; who worked in both operative and speculative masonry; who left behind them as they followed the advance of civilization and progress not only the monuments of operative skill, but the recollection of their purity of life and rectitude of conduct. And this, it seems was the beginning of operative and speculative Masonry. Gradually members of these bands settled in the lands they went to, became builders, capitalists, merchants and entered the professions; and for this they were not excluded from the society they loved, but rather their sons were admitted without having learned the trades of masons or of builders. Gradually the privilege of admission was extended until speculative Masonry took the place of the operative, the last authentic account of the practice of both operative and speculative being found in the bands of men who travelled over Europe in the fifteenth century building churches in which worshippers might gather for their devotions. And today Masonry has entirely ceased to be an operative thing in a material sense, but stands as a moral, a social and humanitarian institution. Not a theology, yet its principles are the universal and original religion of mankind. Not a creed, yet requiring acknowledgement of God, and the following of his highest and best law, the law of love.

The question is not so much whether or not Masonry as a distinctive badge had its origin at the building of the temple, at the time of the organization of the guilds, at the time of the recovery of Jerusalem, or at any other time, or when, if at all, Masonry ceased to become both operative and speculative and became speculative only, as what is it doing, what has it done, and what is it going to do for mankind? We do not know, nor do we care to know when the word Masonry first meant what it does now. We do know this: that the principles upon which it is founded were old and well known to the initiated before the Christian era; that the doctrine taught by him we call the Savior of the world to the man who came to him when he said "thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy might, and all thy soul, and thy neighbor as thyself, this do and thou shalt live" was not a new doctrine taught by him for the first time, but was only a repetition of the doctrine taught and practiced by those whose faith was founded on the principles we as Masons believe.

It is the universal religion and language of mankind. There is no race or nation but what knows and understands its signs. No church or religion but that its devotees kneel also at Masonry's altar. No political party but numbers some of our Order in its ranks. Its craftsmen are found in every calling and profession. Its symbols are seen in every public assembly. In every hamlet of the land its votaries stand by the fireside. No cry of distress can be uttered but what it will fall on the ear of a brother ready and willing to assist. It is truly the universal brotherhood. It recognizes but one race, the family of man.

Masonry is not only progressive but it is practical. A century and a half ago the whole world was surprised when the thirteen colonies proclaimed to mankind the Declaration of Independence from England, not so much because the independence was announced as because that document began with words "all men are created equal; endowed with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." But the nations of the world had forgotten, or else had refused to remember, that more than a century and a half before that there had landed on the rock bound coast of New England a company of brave and earnest men and women, who before they landed drew up in the cabin of the Mayflower a document by which they proposed and agreed to shape their future life and conduct with each other and mankind; that these were of the same sturdy stock from whence came Cromwell. When they landed at Plymouth Rock the lilies of France waved over the boundless prairies and measureless forests of the Northwest, and the lions of Spain stood guard over the land of the magnolia and the orange blossom, the land where Ponce de Leon and his followers wandered in their efforts to find the fabled fountain of youth, for it seemed to them that in such a paradise no man could grow old. But France was bent on conquest, Spain on adventure and plunder, while those that settled on the north coast were searching for homes; were living for others while the courtiers in the south were doing for themselves alone. Liberty, Fraternity and Equality were the watchwords of the fathers, and from the pilgrims scattered along the eastern coast came those that framed and published to the world the Declaration of Independence. Almost entirely the work of Jefferson, who as well as many of his associates and signers were Masons. And this document, that produced so much alarm, and speculation, and ridicule simply for the first time made practical application to civil government the doctrine long taught by the fundamental principles of Masonry.

When under the leadership of the men who demonstrated that the Declaration that was made was practical and not theoretical, and the independence was gained and the Constitution established, diplomats and statesmen were astonished by the abolition of class

distinction and all titles of nobility; but it was the application to civil government of what Masons had long been taught—to meet upon the level—to regard no man for his worldly wealth or honors, and that it is the internal and not the external qualifications of a man by which he should be judged.

As we see the wonderful adaptability of Masonry to these changed conditions and ways of modern times; as we study the history of the nations that have followed the teachings taught by it and marked their rise in power, in wisdom and wealth, and all that makes a nation great, and then followed the course of those who disregarded the principles which it revered, and sank in influence, in wealth, and intellect until only history reminds us of their existence, we can but believe that this country which in less than three hundred years has grown from a handful of devout men and women to one of the greatest of the many great nations of the twentieth century, is indebted not only to its continued existence but to its prosperity and development, to the principals so steadfastly announced by its founders, and that before entering upon the great and important undertaking they had in view not only invoked, but obtained, the blessings of Deity. Ours is a government founded on the principles of Masonry; some of the men who led its armies to victory and saved it from the oppression of an unjust king were members of this Fraternity, who met around the altars erected on the fields of battle, and their leader was Master of the Craft. The principles of the Declaration of Independence were published to the world and its doctrines were incorporated in the fundamental law of the land. Many of our presidents have knelt before our altar, and we as Masons know that our present executive, whom we all, regardless of politics, creed or religion, love and honor, after having been honored by the greatest gift this people could confer on him, yet deemed his honors incomplete until he too had knelt at Masonry's shrine.

If Masonry is entitled to this credit in the part it has taken in the development of our country it ought also to accept a part at least of the responsibility for the conditions that exist today, and it is not to be denied that where a class of men by special privileges have amassed fortunes that would outshine Croesus and spend them with a prodigality that would have made Solomon blush; when another class are committing what in morals is robbery and then easing their consciences by leading a class in Sunday school, and bribing the public and quieting the conscience of the people by endowing educational institutions and establishing libraries on condition that they shall stand as monuments to the giver by bearing their names; when common honesty and a disposition and ability to punish criminals and grafters are so rare that the man who does his duty is put in a class by himself; when men occupying positions of trust and confidence speculate with and squander the money

placed in their charge as a fund for the protection of the widows and orphans; when these things exist, as they do exist today, and the perpetrators of these wrongs and crimes defiantly declare that the government is powerless to punish them, the most charitable expression that I can think of to use is that it affords serious reflection for the thinking man. I do not want to be understood as wanting to parade a political question before this body of men, nor do I wish to be understood as wanting to find fault, but these things are not in accord with the spirit of Masonry. It is not a question of politics or religion; it is a question of right and wrong; and these things, as measured by God's law, are wrong; and if any of these offenders are wearing the badge of Masonry it should be taken from them, for they are coining the gold of its jewels to use in the marts of trade, and using the emblem of Masonic purity to cover their corruption, even as the whited sepulchers of old kept from sight of men the putrefaction and decay that lay therein. Masonry owes it to itself by tradition and by policy to stand for these principles of the Institution, for these principles will endure, as they have and always will, for it is part of the Divine plan, and a man, a country or an institution that sets itself up in opposition to this plan is destined to defeat.

But we do not believe that Masonry will fail in the future any more than it has been found wanting in the past. We believe that it has a mission and a future more glorious than the past. It wages now, as ever, the great irrepressible conflict, that of truth against falsehood, of intelligence over ignorance, of right against error. Its landmarks, legends, teachings and traditions mark the pathways its votaries have trod, and point to the land of truth and justice, as truly as the compass of the mariner guides him in the direction of the polar star.

In the city of London stands the cathedral of St. Pauls, erected two centuries ago from plans placed on the trestle board by the greatest architect of that age, the Grand Master of the craft of England. Beneath it he lies buried, and the spot that marked his grave is a simple slab of marble, on which are inscribed the words, "Christopher Wren. Would you behold this monument? Look around." Would you behold the monument of Masonry? Look around. See proof of the operative work of the craft, the pyramids of Egypt, built centuries ago. Look again, and observe the palaces of Thebes and Memphis, marvels of beauty and splendor. Again, and behold the temple of Solomon, spacious, magnificent, the products of the most celebrated artists of that time, and of the choicest, and richest and the best of all that the world could give. See the splendid palatial edifices of cedar at Persepolis, the hanging gardens of Babylon, the mighty walls of Ninevah, Balbec and Palmyra, majestic even in their ruins, and the marble glories of Greece. But fifty centuries have left

their unmistakable signs of decay on even the pyramids, and but emphasize the truth that time will yet conquer, and that of these colossal monuments only ruins shall remain. Ruins only mark the sites where stood the cities of Thebes and Memphis; the Temple was devastated and destroyed by the barbarous hordes that swept over Jerusalem ere three centuries had passed since its completion; Persepolis, Balbec and Palmyra are but memories, and Greece but makes plain to us her brightness and power when in fullness of her glory. But look once again, and behold brothers meeting and greeting one another in a hand clasp that warms the blood like wine; see them parting, and hear the words that to others simply mean "good bye" but to them it means

"God be with you through future nights and days,
In seen or unseen perils, diverse ways;
Whate'er the journey, many a mile or few,
Through cloud or sunshine, friend,
God be with you."

Again, and see the members of this great Fraternity, in secrecy practicing charity, relieving the distressed, rejoicing in each other's prosperity, doing good, exemplifying truth, walking in the light, the light that shines from our altar, living Masonry. Hear the prayer of thanksgiving that goes up to Heaven from the widow for those who have helped her in the hour of her sorrow. Remember the lesson taught to us by the Grand Master to whom integrity was dearer than life, and forget not the noble men and women that carried this principle with them through their daily lives, and lived Masonry, not because it was Masonry, but because it was a part of the law of God. These are the true monuments of Masonry. They are building now wherever the universal language of the craft is spoken and the spirit of Masonry exists. They were built before this great country that we are proud to call our home knew of civilization; before the hewers in the mountains and the stone squarers in the quarries and the artizans at Jerusalem builded the Temple; before Greece was known or the hills of Rome were peopled. Yes, they have stood since when God in his wisdom and goodness first said "let there be light;" for then it was that he said "I will make man in the image of God, and he shall know my law, which is the law of love." They will last forever for they are of God, and time is not reckoned by the Omnipotent.

It has been said that Masonry will cease to exist when constant light shall dispel all darkness, when right has triumphed over wrong, when the tear of sorrow shall cease to fall, and when brotherly love shall prevail. It is true that when the light from our altar reaches to the uttermost parts of the earth, when there shall be no tear but the tear of joy that shall gladden the heart, and when every man

shall call his neighbor brother, the aggressive mission of Masonry will be at an end. But when that time comes, Masonry instead of ceasing to exist will begin to live in all the fullness of her strength and glory; for from the land of the midnight sun to the chill and gloom of the undiscovered southern seas, from the frost bound coasts of Alaska and Siberia to the burning sands of Africa, from the west to the east, and back to the west again, there shall be sung one song, set to the universal music of Masonry, that shall rise from all the earth to that undiscovered country, up through the streets of the eternal city to that house not made with hands, and to the great throne where reigns the Grand Artificer of Heaven and of Earth. And that song and chorus shall be, Glory, Glory, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.

APPENDIX A—GRAND OFFICERS.

ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF THE G. L. OF MINNESOTA, FROM ITS ORGANIZATION, FEB. 24, 1883, TO THE PRESENT TIME.

Date Installed.	Grand Master.	Deputy G.: M.: N	Senior G.: W.: N	Junior G.: W.: N	G.: Treasurer. N	G.: Secretary. N	N
Feb. 24, 1883	A. E. Ames*	2 A. Goodrich*	3 D. F. Brawley*	3 A. Van Vorhes*	1 E. Case*	2 J. G. Lennon*	2
Jan. 5, 1884	A. E. Ames*	2 D. A. F. Brawley*	3 D. F. Brawley*	1 A. T. C. Pierson*	1 E. Case*	4 H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 5, 1885	M. Sherburne*	5 A. T. C. Pierson*	3 C. T. Stearns*	1 A. T. C. Pierson*	1 E. Case*	4 H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 11, 1886	A. T. C. Pierson*	5 H. N. Setzer*	1 Thos. J. Lombard*	6 E. A. Hodgson*	1 E. Case*	4 H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 8, 1887	A. T. C. Pierson*	5 Wm. H. Mower*	1 E. A. Hodgson*	4 William Lee*	7 E. Case*	4 Geo. W. Prescott*	4
Jan. 8, 1888	A. T. C. Pierson*	5 D. B. Loomis*	1 Frank Manon*	11 A. C. Smith*	8 E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*	19
Oct. 27, 1888	A. T. C. Pierson*	5 D. B. Loomis*	1 Frank Manon*	1 Samuel E. Adams*	9 E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*	19
Oct. 26, 1889	A. T. C. Pierson*	5 D. B. Loomis*	1 J. C. Whipple*	16 J. C. W. Thompson*	9 E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*	19
Oct. 23, 1890	A. T. C. Pierson*	5 D. B. Loomis*	1 J. C. Whipple*	1 George Rigby*	17 E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*	19
Oct. 28, 1893†	A. T. C. Pierson*	5 J. E. Thompson*	9 L. E. Lindley†	21 W. T. Curry†	31 E. Case*	Geo. W. Prescott*	19
Oct. 26, 1894	A. T. C. Pierson*	5 L. E. Thompson*	1 E. C. Wells*	31 A. B. Phelps*	23 Geo. L. Otis*	5 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Oct. 26, 1895	Geo. W. Prescott*	5 P. P. Hubbell*	18 G. B. Cooley*	49 S. R. Merrell*	34 Geo. L. Otis*	5 Wm. Combs*	5
Oct. 24, 1896	Charles W. Nash.	35 W. A. Jones*	23 Robert Stewart*	11 A. J. Phelps*	40 Geo. L. Otis*	5 Wm. Combs*	5
Oct. 23, 1897	Charles W. Nash.	35 R. A. Jones*	21 S. R. Merrell*	49 S. Y. Hyde.	49 Geo. L. Otis*	5 Wm. Combs*	5
Oct. 15, 1898†	Charles W. Nash.	35 R. A. Jones*	21 S. R. Merrell*	40 S. Y. Hyde.	49 Geo. L. Otis*	5 Wm. Combs*	5
Jan. 12, 1871	Charles W. Nash.	35 C. B. Cooley*	11 S. Y. Hyde.	49 Fred Joss*	8 Geo. L. Otis*	5 Wm. Combs*	5
Jan. 12, 1872	C. B. Cooley*	11 C. Griswold.	49 I. N. Castle*	12 J. W. Morford*	23 Geo. L. Otis*	5 Wm. Combs*	5
Jan. 12, 1873	C. Griswold.	49 I. N. Castle.	1 Edgar Nash.	1 E. P. Barnum*	33 Geo. L. Otis*	5 Wm. Combs*	5
Jan. 15, 1874	C. Griswold.	49 I. N. Castle.	1 Edgar Nash.	79 I. B. Cummings*	18 Geo. L. Otis*	5 E. D. B. Porter†	12
Jan. 13, 1875	C. Braden*	49 I. B. Cummings*	89 L. E. Cummings*	79 I. B. Cummings*	2 E. D. B. Porter†	5 E. D. B. Porter†	12
Jan. 13, 1876	C. Braden*	49 I. B. Cummings*	13 H. R. Wells.	36 H. J. Edgerton†	36 George A. Camp*	2 E. D. B. Porter†	12
Jan. 11, 1877	J. E. W. Durant.	89 I. B. Cummings*	35 C. O. Ball*	35 C. O. Ball*	2 A. T. C. Pierson*	2 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 16, 1878	J. E. W. Durant.	89 I. B. Cummings*	1 L. C. H. Benton*	4 C. N. Daniels*	7 George A. Camp*	2 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 15, 1879	Henry R. Wells.	35 C. H. Benton*	4 C. H. Davis.	5 George A. Camp*	9 J. H. Thompson*	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 14, 1880	Henry R. Wells.	35 C. H. Benton*	23 Henry R. Denny	23 J. H. Brown*	2 J. H. Thompson*	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 12, 1881	Henry R. Wells.	35 C. H. Benton*	23 Henry R. Denny	111 R. H. Gove*	104 J. H. Thompson*	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 11, 1882	C. H. Benton*	35 C. H. Davis.	23 Henry R. Denny	111 R. H. Gove*	21 J. H. Thompson*	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 10, 1883	C. H. Benton*	4 Henry R. Denny.	111 R. H. Gove*	21 A. P. Fitch*	42 J. H. Thompson*	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 16, 1884	Henry R. Denny.	111 R. H. Gove*	21 A. P. Fitch*	79 C. H. Smith*	97 J. H. Thompson*	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 14, 1885	Henry R. Gove*	111 R. H. Gove*	21 A. P. Fitch*	57 A. Marden*	98 J. H. Thompson*	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 12, 1886	R. H. Brown*	104 J. A. Kiester*	104 J. A. Kiester*	57 Alphonso Barto*	60 A. La Due.	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 12, 1887	R. H. Brown*	104 J. A. Kiester*	57 Alphonso Barto*	60 A. La Due.	11 J. H. Thompson*	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 13, 1888	J. A. Kiester*	104 J. A. Kiester*	60 W. F. Dickinson*	91 Charles D. Boyce	2 J. H. Thompson*	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5
Jan. 17, 1889	J. A. Kiester*	57 Alphonso Barto*	60 W. F. Dickinson*	91 Charles D. Boyce	2 J. H. Thompson*	13 A. T. C. Pierson*	5

Nov. 30, 1883	J. A. Kiestler*	57	Alphonso Barto*	60	W. F. Dickinson*	91	Charles D. Boyce	2	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 17, 1889	Alphonso Barto*	60	W. F. Dickinson*	60	W. F. Dickinson*	91	H. C. Shepard...	18	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 15, 1891	Alphonso Barto*	60	W. F. Dickinson*	60	C. L. Brown...	91	Wm. B. Patton...	79	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 14, 1892	W. F. Dickinson*	91	C. L. Brown...	133	Charles L. West...	39	J. D. Markham...	146	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 12, 1893	C. L. Brown...	133	Chas. L. West...	39	J. F. Lawless...	39	A. T. Stebbins...	21	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 11, 1894	C. L. Brown...	133	J. F. Lawless...	39	A. T. Stebbins...	21	A. Brandenburgh...	99	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 17, 1895	I. F. Lawless...	39	A. T. Stebbins...	21	A. Brandenburgh...	99	J. H. Randall*	4	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 16, 1896	I. F. Lawless...	39	A. T. Stebbins...	21	A. Brandenburgh...	99	J. H. Randall*	4	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 14, 1897	A. T. Stebbins...	21	A. Brandenburgh...	99	A. D. Countryman...	137	Gid S. Ives...	54	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 13, 1898	A. T. Stebbins...	21	A. Brandenburgh...	99	A. D. Countryman...	137	Gid S. Ives...	54	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 12, 1899	A. T. Stebbins...	21	A. Brandenburgh...	99	A. D. Countryman...	137	Gid S. Ives...	54	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 12, 1900	A. T. Stebbins...	21	A. Brandenburgh...	99	A. D. Countryman...	137	Gid S. Ives...	54	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 23, 1901	Gid S. Ives...	54	Henry R. Adams...	224	W. A. McGonagle...	79	Enoch Stott...	18	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 23, 1902	A. D. Countryman...	137	Henry R. Adams...	224	W. A. McGonagle...	79	Enoch Stott...	18	I. H. Thompson*	19	T. Montgomery...	54
Feb. 25, 1903	Henry R. Adams...	224	W. A. McGonagle...	79	Henry M. Tusler...	163	Thomas Morris...	141	D. W. Knowlton...	112	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 21, 1904	W. A. McGonagle...	79	Henry M. Tusler...	163	Thomas Morris...	141	Gustaf Widell...	12	D. W. Knowlton...	112	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 19, 1905	Henry M. Tusler...	163	Thomas Morris...	141	Gustaf Widell...	12	Wm. P. Roberts...	4	D. W. Knowlton...	112	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 18, 1906	Thomas Morris...	141	Gustaf Widell...	12	Wm. P. Roberts...	4	Eugene E. Swan...	229	D. W. Knowlton...	112	T. Montgomery...	54

*Deceased.

†No session of Grand Lodge in 1862 or 1863.

‡Expelled.

§Withdrawn.

¶Stricken from roll of lodge.

APPENDIX B.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1906.

Name of Lodge.	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
1 St. Johns.....	Stillwater.....	Feb. 24, '53	Frederick W. Gail.....	Wm. G. Bronson, Jr.....	Gilbert W. Davis.....	Ira E. King.....	1 and 3 Mon.
2 Cataract.....	Minneapolis.....	" 24, '53	Frank L. Gowen.....	L. Fournie.....	Frank J. Meyst.....	W. H. J. Pearce.....	1 Sat.
3 St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	" 24, '53	Milton S. Mead.....	Frederick J. Leacey.....	Fenton G. Warner.....	Paul S. Hendrickson.....	1 Fri.
4 Hennepin.....	Minneapolis.....	" 24, '54	John I. Ralls.....	Henry W. Smollett.....	Horace M. Weston.....	Jesse H. Wakeman.....	2 and 4 Wed.
5 Anc't Landmark.....	St. Paul.....	" 2, '54	John K. Robinson.....	Benj. K. Edwards.....	Wm. H. Mingay.....	M. T. Emery.....	2 and 4 Ths.
6 Dakota.....	Hastings.....	" 9, '56	C. E. Reed.....	J. M. Kadabaugh.....	J. A. Holmquist.....	S. B. Rude.....	2 and 4 Wed.
7 Red Wing.....	Red Wing.....	" 9, '56	Hugo J. Herder.....	C. B. Johnson.....	C. L. Kellogg.....	G. H. Diepenbrock.....	1 Mon.
8 Faribault.....	Faribault.....	" 6, '57	O. M. Henderson.....	W. H. Robillard.....	J. S. Seeley.....	D. E. Goodman.....	2 and 4 Mon.
9 Mantoville.....	Mantoville.....	" 6, '57	F. M. Cooper.....	Levi Spurbeck.....	F. C. Calhoun.....	J. E. Burdick.....	2 and 4 Tues.
10 Mankato.....	Mankato.....	" 6, '57	F. R. Brown.....	Frank W. Bates.....	Jeremiah S. Young.....	Wm. F. Jewson.....	2 and 4 Sat.
11 Wapahosa.....	Wabasha.....	" 8, '57	I. R. Brown.....	Archie Carrier.....	Edward Jones.....	A. J. Stone.....	1 and 3 Mon.
12 Monticello.....	Monticello.....	" 8, '57	Herbert N. Clarey.....	Chas. S. Strout.....	W. E. L. Crozier.....	Wm. Taft.....	1 and 3 Tues.
13 Hokah.....	Hokah.....	" 8, '57	L. T. Lyon.....	F. D. Becker.....	Wm. S. Moore.....	Wm. S. Moore.....	1 and 3 Tues.
14 Winona.....	Winona.....	" 8, '57	John L. Krogstad.....	Frank F. Garside.....	Paul E. Baumgartner.....	Joseph I. Hillmer.....	1 and 3 Tues.
15 Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	" 7, '58	Albert F. Pray.....	John A. Schlener.....	Arthur M. Chesher.....	Horace M. Myers.....	1 and 3 Tues.
16 Caledonia.....	Caledonia.....	" 7, '58	H. J. Franklin.....	C. L. Metcalf.....	R. D. Sprague.....	F. H. Snure.....	1 and 3 Wed.
17 Rochester.....	Rochester.....	" 8, '58	Timothy H. Bliss.....	O. C. Heyerdale.....	Theo. A. Schacht.....	F. W. Churchill.....	2 and 4 Mon.
18 Pleasant Grove.....	Pleasant Grove.....	" 8, '58	C. L. Deany.....	Wm. Smith.....	L. D. Page.....	F. W. Nutting.....	2 and 4 Wed.
19 North Star.....	St. Cloud.....	" 8, '58	Chas. S. Benson.....	Alfred H. Leimbacher.....	James R. Bennett, Jr.....	Chas. W. Linwood.....	1 and 3 Tues.
20 Wilton.....	Alma City.....	" 8, '58	I. H. Elmore.....	Wm. Schrieber.....	Geo. W. Johnson.....	H. E. Gates.....	2 and 4 Mon.
21 Western Star.....	Albert Lea.....	" 27, '58	F. D. Meighen.....	D. E. Walter.....	Wesley A. Griffith.....	O. I. Walff.....	1 and 3 Ths.
22 Blue Earth Vally.....	Winn'ago City.....	" 27, '58	Frank E. Cady.....	George Smythe.....	Wesley A. Strater.....	H. E. Sherin.....	2 and 4 Wed.
23 Clear Water.....	Clear Water.....	" 27, '58	F. W. Hyatt.....	Joseph A. Trafion.....	W. F. Hathaway.....	J. C. Richmond Smith.....	1 and 3 Tues.
24 Morning Star.....	La Crescent.....	" 28, '59	Addis Luther.....	John Welch.....	Edward Sims.....	W. L. Emly.....	1 and 3 Sat.
25 Anoka.....	Anoka.....	" 28, '59	P. G. Woodward.....	John P. McGinty.....	Wesley A. Field.....	Frank Hart.....	* 1 and 3 Sat.
26 King Hiram.....	Jordan.....	" 24, '60	Jacob K. Edelman.....	Chas. E. Morrell.....	Wesley A. Field.....	H. A. Engler.....	2 and 4 Fri.
27 Sakatah.....	Waterville.....	" 24, '60	H. W. Farrington.....	Willis Clay.....	Joseph Klemenhagen.....	Wm. J. Berner.....	1 and 3 Sat.
28 Star in the East.....	Owatonna.....	" 24, '60	Edward A. Dibble.....	H. W. Vinton.....	Chas. B. Stewart.....	P. G. Swanson.....	2 and 4 Sat.
29 Cannon Falls.....	Cannon Falls.....	" 24, '60	Elmer H. Cummings.....	Fred W. Scofield.....	Chas. I. Tompkins.....	Levi Manning.....	2 and 4 Wed.
30 Mystic Tie.....	Preston.....	" 23, '61	W. D. Hayward.....	S. I. Comer.....	Chas. I. Harrison.....	Wm. R. Wells.....	1 and 3 Wed.
31 Washington.....	Pine Island.....	" 23, '61	W. D. Hayward.....	E. I. Comer.....	Wesley Shepherd.....	Jas. Finnegan.....	2 and 4 Wed.
32 Fidelity.....	West Concord.....	" 23, '61	C. O. Smith.....	E. H. Catlin.....	F. F. Cran.....	G. N. Bird.....	1 and 3 Sat.
33 Austin.....	Austin.....	" 28, '63	M. O. Anderson.....	G. A. Dutcher.....	P. Hanson.....	John H. Anderson.....	1 and 3 Wed.
34 Hermion.....	Lake City.....	" 28, '63	R. W. Corwin.....	W. I. Lowrie.....	Roy Underwood.....	L. S. Lutz.....	2 and 4 Tues.
35 Zumbrota.....	Zumbrota.....	" 28, '63	T. R. Watson.....	H. E. Weiss.....	C. A. Hopkins.....	D. C. Scofield.....	1 and 3 Tues.
36 Hope.....	Glencoe.....	" 28, '63	Harold J. Nelson.....	L. W. Gilbert.....	H. A. Hoppis.....	C. B. Corson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
37 Harmony.....	Lewiston.....	" 28, '63	Lew J. Baldwin.....	John F. Madden.....	Aug. N. Johnson.....	Oliver W. Hunt.....	1 and 3 Mon.

44	King Solomon...	Shakopee	Oct.	28	63	H. O. Smith	C. G. Bowdish	Geo. Thorndyke	C. Storor	2 and 4 Wed.
45	Union	Le Sueur		29	64	M. G. Curtis	W. H. Tomlinson	Geo. J. Diener	F. E. Hamlin	1 and 3 Tues.
46	Evergreen	Clyde		30	65	N. G. Bain	W. Becksted	J. C. Henry	H. B. Clawson	1 and 3 Sat.
47	Cleveland	Cleveland		31	66	C. Davis	I. H. Clark	W. Van Antwerp	M. A. Hill	1 and 3 Sat.
48	Social	Northfield		32	67	L. M. Walden	W. A. Hunt	H. J. Baldwin	D. D. Turner	1 and 3 Mon.
49	Rising Sun	St. Charles		33	68	Emil W. Henbach	George K. Smith	John Druey	R. A. Johnson	1 and 3 Ths.
50	Watertown	Watertown		34	69	Joel B. Light	H. A. Malsed	J. C. Van Krevelen	C. G. Halgren	1 and 3 Tues.
51	Acacia	Cottage Grove		35	70	Irving T. Morey	Louis J. Crippen	Herbert W. Donaldson	Peter Thompson	1 and 3 Tues.
52	Cannon River	Morristown		36	71	George Malm	Herbert W. Donaldson	Wilber B. Adams	Hoyt D. Widrick	1 and 3 Tues.
53	Nicollet	St. Peter		37	72	Charles H. Clark	John L. Holmberg	Gangs Theon	Clare D. Moll	1 and 3 Tues.
54	St. Cloud	St. Cloud		38	73	H. G. Murdock	L. W. Snell	W. H. Ball	W. X. Folsom	1 and 3 Tues.
55	Meridian	Chaffin		39	74	Wm. Stratford	E. L. Freeman	E. R. Butterfield	W. H. Silsbee	1 and 3 Tues.
56	Blue Earth City	Blue Earth		40	75	Jacob N. Nielsen	W. E. Douglass	C. E. Lawrence	S. C. Patridge	1 and 3 Tues.
57	Spring Valley	Spring Valley		41	76	Burdett Thayer	F. L. Bauer	A. L. Gove	Geo. H. Sivwright	1 and 3 Tues.
58	Temple	Hutchinson		42	77	W. W. Swiright	P. E. Avery	Chas. McCrackin	Philom Lamb	1 and 3 Tues.
59	Star in the West	Sauk Centre		43	78	Chas. A. Morse	Arthur W. Austin	F. S. Seymour	Geo. H. Bust	1 and 3 Tues.
60	Ashler	Rockford		44	79	Wm. Jacobs	Wm. Sykes	C. W. Guptil	Geo. O. Crandall	1 and 3 Tues.
61	Star	Rockford		45	80	Jay F. Thompson	J. A. Slight	Erwen E. Smith	Lee T. Meachum	1 and 3 Tues.
62	Star	Rockford		46	81	Wm. Bird, Jr.	Jesse A. Slocum	John A. Helling	Luther M. Pomeroy	1 and 3 Tues.
63	Ilustrious	Fairmont		47	82	Frank L. Mullen	Geo. A. Baldwin	Herbert W. Hosmer	H. H. Judson	1 and 3 Tues.
64	Chain Lake	Madelia		48	83	Chas. B. Whittier	Arthur K. Gray	G. W. Rockwell	J. A. Pederson	1 and 3 Tues.
65	Corinthian	Farmington		49	84	W. F. Drake	J. G. Robertson	Arthur S. Carpenter	Albert F. Bugbie	1 and 3 Tues.
66	Mystic Star	Rushford	Jan.	50	85	James H. Boylan, Jr.	Thos. C. Johnston	Burt L. Simson	John Thompson	1 and 3 Tues.
67	Paynesville	Paynesville		51	86	Herbert R. Soule	Lee O. Thompson	Poster L. Roy	J. M. Wyckoff	1 and 3 Tues.
68	Lansing	Lansing		52	87	E. H. Soule	Frank B. Falander	Frank H. Griffin	Robert O. Eberhart	1 and 3 Tues.
69	Eureka	Le Roy		53	88	Chas. S. Harden	Wm. W. Whitcomb	E. C. Goodspeed	O. J. Lawson	1 and 3 Tues.
70	Tuscan	Good Thunder		54	89	Oscar M. Reynolds	Ralph D. Garland	C. C. Barton	C. F. Schonian	1 and 3 Tues.
71	Mystic Circle	Waseca		55	90	Chas. A. Smith	G. E. Dorival	Edward K. Coe	Henry Nesbitt	1 and 3 Tues.
72	Houston	Duluth		56	91	S. B. McFintre	Jas. A. Crawford	H. S. Campbell	A. C. Buck	1 and 3 Tues.
73	Palestine	Henderson		57	92	Chas. A. Bronson	F. Herrmann	H. S. Akers	J. L. Volker	1 and 3 Tues.
74	Henderson	Henderson		58	93	A. L. Poehler	F. H. Brown	D. W. Goodrich	Edgar O. Wilson	1 and 3 Tues.
75	Constellation	Alexandria		59	94	W. B. Mitson	F. H. D. German	H. E. Lewis	F. C. Perkins	1 and 3 Tues.
76	Howard	Kasson		60	95	G. A. Moffatt	Elmer Deckert	J. L. Munger	W. A. Armstrong	1 and 3 Tues.
77	Paynesville	Paynesville		61	96	W. F. Schultz	Frank Northrop	A. J. Smith	John A. Klawisch	1 and 3 Tues.
78	Paynesville	Paynesville		62	97	Taylor Robinson	Geo. F. Brown	Albert J. Hanson	Aug. T. Koerner	1 and 3 Tues.
79	Paynesville	Paynesville		63	98	E. H. Englehart	A. R. Hawkinson	E. A. Lyman, Jr.	W. D. Hunter	1 and 3 Tues.
80	Paynesville	Paynesville		64	99	John McCabe	T. M. Mott	C. F. Heiber	F. G. Hubbard	1 and 3 Tues.
81	Paynesville	Paynesville		65	100	C. M. Miller	Nels E. Anderson	George E. Rice	Clare A. Caley	1 and 3 Tues.
82	Paynesville	Paynesville		66	101	John Burnham	Harry M. Burnham	Thos. L. Armitage	A. F. Trace	1 and 3 Tues.
83	Paynesville	Paynesville		67	102	John Burnham	C. V. Everett	F. A. Sartell	Thos. F. Talbot	1 and 3 Tues.
84	Paynesville	Paynesville		68	103	Julian F. Zimmerman	Thos. L. Armitage	Glen Davey	H. B. Nickerson	1 and 3 Tues.
85	Paynesville	Paynesville		69	104	G. A. Childgren	E. J. Wright	Clark True		1 and 3 Tues.
86	Paynesville	Paynesville		70	105	G. S. Rhoads	E. J. Hansen			1 and 3 Tues.
87	Paynesville	Paynesville		71	106	F. D. Waterman	John Bither			1 and 3 Tues.
88	Paynesville	Paynesville		72	107					1 and 3 Tues.
89	Paynesville	Paynesville		73	108					1 and 3 Tues.
90	Paynesville	Paynesville		74	109					1 and 3 Tues.
91	Paynesville	Paynesville		75	110					1 and 3 Tues.
92	Paynesville	Paynesville		76	111					1 and 3 Tues.
93	Paynesville	Paynesville		77	112					1 and 3 Tues.
94	Paynesville	Paynesville		78	113					1 and 3 Tues.
95	Paynesville	Paynesville		79	114					1 and 3 Tues.

APPENDIX B.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1906.—Continued.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
96	Libanus	St. James.	"	M. G. Fossum.	N. C. Beim.	F. G. Desmond.	C. Ellsworth.	2 and 4 Tues.
97	Prudence	Windom	15	Nels Anderson.	Albert Stratton.	N. L. Glover.	John J. Rupp.	1 and 3 Wed.
98	Charity	New Uin.	15	John H. Siegel.	Wm. B. Mather.	Herman Held.	G. Schmidt.	2 and 4 Tues.
99	Corner Stone.	Fergus Falls.	15	C. L. Hilton.	N. F. Field.	E. M. Wright.	R. E. Lincoln.	1 and 3 Tues.
100	Aurora	Brainerd	15	Geo. O. Whitney.	John P. Anderson.	Claud C. Kyle.	Gilbert F. Mitchell.	2 and 4 Tues.
101	Fraternity	Worthington	15	William E. Bloom.	Chas. M. Crandall.	Stelle S. Smith.	Walter M. Evans.	1 and 3 Mon.
102	Lebanon	Lansboro	15	R. C. Sackett.	F. A. Drake.	L. T. Tollerfon.	M. G. Fellows.	1 and 3 Wed.
103	Bethel	Lake Crystal.	15	W. R. Robinson.	John J. Hughes.	Chas. Evans.	J. C. James.	2 and 4 Fri.
104	Star	Willmar	15	Chas. N. Oran.	N. P. Larson.	P. C. Peterson.	A. Bakke.	2 and 4 Tues.
106	Mt. Labor.	Detroit	15	H. P. Phillips.	Casper Wackman.	E. F. Myers.	Chas. G. Sturtevant.	2 and 4 Sat.
108	Relief	Dodge Center.	14	Gus Crail.	A. S. Palmerlee.	George Myers.	R. W. Ganshy.	1 and 3 Sat.
109	Sunset	Montevideo	14	John Peterson.	G. D. Moyer.	W. J. Brown.	B. A. Whitmore.	2 and 4 Sat.
110	Pickwick	Pickwick	14	Wm. H. Harrington.	Ernest A. Gross.	Geo. H. Schaffer.	Thos. B. Rand.	2 and 4 Sat.
111	Carver	Carver	13	Jacob Bristie.	H. H. Holm.	C. A. Franzer.	O. C. Brunius.	1 and 3 Fri.
112	Khurum	Minneapolis	13	Fred W. Webber.	W. H. Crilly.	Geo. W. Meyer.	David W. Knowlton.	2 and 4 Fri.
113	Excelsior	Excelsior	13	Geo. P. Dickinson.	M. S. Thurber.	Chas. A. Speedy.	A. H. De Groot.	1 and 3 Mon.
114	Ben Franklin.	Luverne	13	Chas. A. Palmer.	Chas. J. Martin.	Sam'l C. Kea.	Henry W. Ferguson.	1 and 3 Tues.
115	Elgin	Elgin	13	R. L. Wood.	C. E. Richmond.	D. W. Searies.	W. P. Holton.	1 and 3 Tues.
116	Lafayette	Brownsdale	12	J. N. Thatcher.	F. O. Tanner.	Peter Madison.	J. J. Hunt.	1 and 3 Sat.
117	Granite	Granite Falls.	12	B. C. Schram.	E. C. Hawkins.	C. E. Wheaton.	W. J. Rice.	1 and 3 Tues.
118	Newport	Newport	12	J. M. Trickey.	W. R. Sawyer.	J. W. Baute.	H. A. Durand.	2 and 4 Wed.
119	Delta	Marshall	12	S. E. Whitmore.	C. W. Hicks.	H. D. Caley.	Ernest Shepard.	2 and 4 Fri.
121	Grand Meadow.	Grand Meadow.	12	Geo. A. Wright.	Phillip T. Elliott.	Elgar F. Greening.	Levi W. Hunt.	2 and 4 Sat.
122	Kellogg	Kellogg	12	Claude F. Mogren.	H. E. Wolfe.	C. F. Wolfe.	F. W. Heuer.	2 and 4 Tues.
123	Prairie	Blooming Prairie	12	Edwin Morton.	Geo. E. Johnson.	Vincent Schisler.	Walter L. Bucksen.	2 and 4 Wed.
124	Winslow Lewis.	Jacksonville	12	M. A. Devereaux.	F. C. Whittlesey.	M. J. Ryan.	L. D. Rogers.	2 and 4 Tues.
126	Moorehead	Osseo	10	Fred Biederman.	R. W. Henry.	S. E. Locke.	Wm. Krueger.	2 and 4 Thurs.
128	Josephus	Maplehead	10	Leon W. Hyde.	J. M. Sprague.	A. J. Roscnquist.	I. Pierce Wolfe.	1 and 3 Tues.
129	Swift	Benson	10	Eugene Hadley.	Orin Kinney.	T. B. Taylor.	H. M. Quinn.	2 and 4 Wed.
131	Alma	Lyle	10	Wilbert Falls.	Henry Vogler Sr.	Eugene A. Smith.	E. R. Adrich.	2 and 4 Tues.
132	Humboldt	Young America	10	Ed O. Bachmann.	Geo. M. Anderson.	Knut Kauten.	Chas. W. Lacy.	2 and 4 Sat.
133	Golden Sheaf.	Morris	16	Willis F. Cobb.	Henry Nelson.	Merton B. Hogue.	Julius W. Truue.	1 and 3 Tues.
134	Cokato	Cokato	15	Ole C. Hanson.	Jesse J. Stock.	John B. Brown.	Nels Olson.	1 and 3 Tues.
135	Nelson	Buffalo	15	Harry S. Saylor.	Arthur Bartlett.	Chas. Weserberg.	J. A. Eklund.	2 and 4 Mon.
136	Walnut	Walnut Grove.	15	D. O. Buleu.	D. Dailey.	Frank E. Abbott.	S. R. Wells.	1 and 3 Tues.
137	Appleton	Appleton	15	H. K. Young.	F. J. Skillman.	George Salter.	Albert Swoffer.	2 and 4 Sat.
138	Orion	Atwater	14	H. A. Waleu.	Peder Larson.	Lynn Hanes.	E. V. Dickey.	1 and 3 Tues.
139	Vermdale	Vermdale	14	J. A. Waleu.	W. N. Morell.	Martin Anderson.	Martin Olson.	2 and 4 Sat.
140			14	Geo. W. Empey.		Frank R. Stedman.	Frank A. Thompson.	1 and 3 Tues.

140 Little Falls.....	Jan.	14	'80	F. E. Lewis.....	E. S. Stanton.....	Harry E. Meyers.....	E. M. McIntyre.....	2 and 4 Tues.
141 Crookston	"	14	'80	L. D. Foskett.....	G. W. Munch.....	John Sims, Jr.....	F. E. McGregor.....	2 and 4 Mon.
142 Currie	"	12	'81	Lewis G. Gates.....	Fred. G. Meyer.....	Chas. H. Cooper.....	Leonard B. Sage.....	1 and 3 Mon.
143 Lakeview	"	12	'81	Elmer N. Morrill.....	Chas. T. Lange.....	Wallace Zwerner.....	Hayden French.....	1 and 3 Fri.
144 Bird Island	"	12	'81	J. H. Feeter.....	G. H. Sanberg.....	Leo Arnsdorf.....	Amund Dahl.....	1 and 3 Sat.
145 Melrose	"	12	'81	J. N. Canover.....	W. W. Matson.....	C. E. Leverich.....	K. E. Hamlin.....	2 and 4 Tues.
146 Benton	"	12	'81	W. T. Evans.....	O. Hicks.....	Julius E. Vanstrom.....	John McKenzie.....	2 and 4 Fri.
147 Canby	"	11	'82	Geo. E. Sellers.....	John E. Johnston.....	Ora S. Vail.....	Martin S. Nelson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
148 Quarry	"	11	'82	Joseph H. Ge Roy.....	Martin Ewald.....	Christian Nygaard.....	James Bohn.....	1 and 3 Mon.
149 Guardian	"	11	'82	Chas. L. Stevens.....	Richard C. Mathwig.....	Thorvald Moreck.....	Carl A. Nelson.....	1 and 3 Wed.
150 Warren	"	11	'82	W. M. C. Odell.....	M. Melvin.....	Ed. Salter.....	K. K. Klammer.....	2 and 4 Wed.
151 Chaska	"	10	'83	T. E. Knudson.....	F. L. Pierce.....	L. W. Armstrong.....	R. W. Cole.....	1 and 3 Tues.
152 Breckenridge	"	10	'83	S. Y. Gordon.....	O. G. Weygand.....	Justin Kirkpatrick.....	A. W. Milton.....	2 and 4 Tues.
153 Browns Valley.....	"	10	'83	Peter Sharpe.....	Emil J. Farley.....	Louis Hanson.....	G. Kittelson.....	2 and 4 Tues.
154 Ada	"	10	'83	John D. Owens.....	Chas. C. Richard.....	Arthur H. Kowland.....	Chas. T. Berdan.....	1 and 3 Wed.
155 Tracy	"	10	'83	William D. Dower.....	William Wilson.....	John L. Eggeston.....	U. G. Boyer.....	1 and 3 Fri.
156 Wadena	"	16	'84	John L. Sawyer.....	Samuel Friedman.....	Herman Koentzer.....	L. E. Davison.....	2 and 4 Sat.
157 Perham	"	16	'84	A. M. Erickson.....	S. W. Anderson.....	M. F. Canfield.....	E. W. Blumerich.....	2 and 4 Mon.
158 Hector	"	14	'85	W. A. Barto.....	W. M. Barber.....	A. B. Anderson.....	John E. Withers.....	2 and 4 Fri.
159 Long Prairie.....	"	14	'85	Frank H. McCuskey.....	Geo. W. Armstrong.....	Wm. K. Bartlett.....	George W. Hall.....	1 and 3 Mon.
160 Plymouth	"	14	'85	A. E. Clark.....	C. B. Cornwell.....	A. C. Morse.....	D. W. Shear.....	1 and 3 Tues.
161 Sincerity	"	14	'85	C. P. Earsley.....	K. C. Ness.....	Paul S. Goodell.....	S. T. McDowell.....	2 Fri.
162 Prescott	"	14	'85	H. P. Fahnestock.....	John Wade.....	F. H. Parker.....	Robt. B. Ware.....	1 and 3 Sat.
163 Summit	"	13	'86	Curtis M. Johnson.....	Chas. E. Elmquist.....	Benj. F. Smith.....	Jas. D. Markham.....	2 and 4 Tues.
164 Jasper	"	13	'86	Thos. W. Allen.....	Leonard K. Ellis.....	Benj. A. Sandy.....	Henry S. Goff.....	2 and 4 Thurs.
165 Minnehaha	"	13	'86	I. C. Fulton.....	C. L. Clark.....	C. E. Davies.....	T. W. Bacon.....	1 and 3 Wed.
166 Garnet	"	13	'86	M. E. Wheeler.....	P. J. Davidson.....	W. H. Annis.....	Geo. W. Browdbent.....	1 and 3 Thurs.
167 Agate	"	13	'86	Max Dyer.....	Arthur W. Keoncke.....	Walter R. Wilson.....	Geo. W. Heaton.....	1 and 3 Tues.
168 Braden	"	12	'87	M. D. Hawver.....	H. McDewitt.....	Guy Howard.....	S. M. Hawver.....	1 and 3 Tues.
169 Pierson	"	12	'87	Albin Oppe.....	George Browning.....	John Bachman.....	John Hyslop.....	1 and 3 Mon.
170 Fulda	"	12	'88	Edward A. Thum.....	Eddy J. Souther.....	Alfred W. Bailey.....	Chas. S. Schurman.....	2 and 4 Thurs.
171 Shekinah	"	12	'88	H. M. Griffin.....	E. C. Sommermyer.....	A. R. Silvernail.....	C. J. Orton.....	2 and 4 Sat.
172 Marietta	"	12	'88	Geo. E. Sherwood.....	James G. Reeves.....	Henry L. Moody.....	Nelson Sutton.....	2 and 4 Thurs.
173 Plumb Line.....	"	12	'88	John Ecker.....	J. F. Skinner.....	Matt Ward.....	W. A. Simonton.....	1 and 3 Thurs.
174 Valley	"	12	'88	J. C. Becker.....	Joseph Cowin.....	Samuel Jones.....	H. E. Swannan.....	1 and 3 Mon.
175 Roman Eagle.....	"	12	'88	Charles C. Kramer.....	Albert C. Weaner.....	Wm. H. Germond.....	Eugene C. Noyes.....	1 and 3 Wed.
176 Ark	"	12	'88	W. N. Southworth.....	Paul Butrow.....	I. H. Meyers.....	H. J. Chard.....	2 and 4 Wed.
177 Rough Ashlar.....	"	12	'88	Thos. McDougall.....	Eugene S. Foote.....	G. H. Hollenbeck.....	John H. Russell.....	2 and 4 Sat.
178 Anchor	"	17	'89	S. C. Moore.....	W. G. Shultz.....	O. C. Dorothy.....	F. E. Stalte.....	1 and 3 Tues.
179 King David	"	17	'89	S. C. Moore.....	M. A. Earl.....	W. H. Crowe.....	F. H. Borchert.....	2 and 4 Sat.
180 Osakis	"	17	'89	Geo. R. Wabitt.....	John E. Atkins.....	Frank E. Coolbaugh.....	O. B. Harriman.....	1 and 3 Thurs.
181 Dalles	"	17	'89	Sylvester Wilson.....	Theo. A. Wirsing.....	Harry Kurz.....	W. D. McDonald.....	1 and 3 Sat.
182 Fairhaven	"	16	'90	Martin E. Fellows.....	Irving B. Kuning.....	Jesse D. Haradon.....	Charles Foster.....	2 and 4 Fri.
183 Shell	"	16	'90	Wm. M. Taber.....	Chas. N. Orr.....	Albert J. Wallace.....	Ernest L. Allard.....	2 and 4 Mon.
184 Park Rapids	"	16	'90	Chas. C. Collett.....	James S. Cromwell.....	Carl F. Wiberg.....	Horatio S. Newell.....	2 and 4 Mon.
185 Midway	"	16	'90	John Cox.....				
186 Duluth	"	16	'90					

APPENDIX B.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1906.—Continued

Name of Lodge.	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
187 Arcana	Minneapolis ..	'16, '90	Wm. H. Ronald	Henry A. Sauer	Wm. A. Gulick	John D. Tolman	2 and 4 Mon.
188 Fortitude	Two Harbors ..	'16, '90	Henry K. Gillon	John W. Woodhill	Orval G. Elban	W. B. Woodward	2 and 4 Wed.
189 Traverse	Wheaton	'16, '91	G. K. Kristensen	G. P. Erickson	A. S. Fleming	Stephen Hopkins	2 and 4 Tues.
190 Triune	St. Paul	'15, '91	Geo. H. Sharp	Malcolm McKay	A. L. Williams	H. O. Williams	2 and 3 Tues.
191 Mizpah	South St. Paul ..	'15, '91	Frank W. Wentworth ..	W. S. Shepard	John N. Irving	E. L. Sloan	1 and 3 Tues.
192 Crow River	Belgrade	'15, '91	S. H. Slauffer	J. T. Chisholm	J. L. Gear	Geo. O. Ellingboe	1 and 3 Sat.
193 Amboy	Amboy	'15, '91	N. W. Sargent	W. E. Schmidt	C. W. Marks	J. J. Moyer	1 and 3 Tues.
194 Canton	Canton	'15, '91	Chas. R. Vail	Geo. W. Willford	Samuel Duxbury	Herbert H. Wheeler	1 and 3 Tues.
195 Renville	Renville	'15, '91	Chas. R. McIntosh	E. M. Clay	Wm. A. Lumley	L. E. Lambert	1 and 3 Wed.
196 Geneva	Nadison	'15, '91	H. L. Hayden	James Hayden	Joe Bauer	Obert R. Nelson	1 and 3 Tues.
197 Vermillion	Tower	'15, '91	M. C. Woodard	James W. Thompson ..	Frank Cundy	Chas. Heise	1 Tues.
198 Euclid	West Duluth ..	'15, '91	W. J. Darby	J. H. Opperman	E. G. Wallender	Andrew Dunleavy	1 and 3 Wed.
199 Murray	Slayton	'15, '91	A. D. Smith	W. W. Baker	Wm. F. Runk	J. K. Bennett	1 and 3 Sat.
200 Zenith	Springfield ..	'14, '92	John Schmehl	James Dickson	Albert Mohn	O. Steihaug	1 and 3 Sat.
201 Kenyon	Kenyon	'14, '92	E. H. Marshall	Edmund Backe	Wm. A. Kraemer	T. C. Bolstad	1 and 3 Tues.
202 Atelier	Dawson	'14, '92	Arne A. Stemsrud	S. B. Brown	C. E. Smith	O. C. Holstad	2 and 4 Tues.
203 Stewartville	Stewartville ..	'14, '92	C. E. Fawcett	S. M. Cattle	V. E. Smith	O. C. Holstad	2 and 4 Tues.
204 St. Elmo	Jasper	'14, '92	Andrew Rae	Edward Burg	H. H. Onan	S. S. King	2 and 4 Tues.
205 Wayzata	Wayzata	'12, '93	Wm. Bushnell	C. E. Lamb	F. G. Braden	Frank F. Short	1 and 3 Fri.
206 Fosston	Fosston	'12, '93	Joel Fogelberg	M. McKinnon	E. T. Bigelow	A. W. Foss	2 and 4 Mon.
207 Crescent	Caples	'12, '93	A. B. Church	W. H. Pattison	W. G. Caneton	R. I. Tinkelpaugh	1 and 3 Fri.
208 Itasca	Grand Rapids ..	'12, '93	G. A. Kremer	August Johnson	B. C. Finnegan	Chas. A. Benson	1 and 3 Fri.
209 Sibley	Winthrop	'11, '94	John F. Humiston	Alvin T. Johnson	Sam I. E. Linsley	W. J. Ross	2 and 4 Wed.
210 Columbian	Heron Lake	'11, '94	James E. Dean	Chas. D. Catlin	Edwin H. Dean	William Cox	1 and 3 Wed.
211 Friendship	Graceville	'11, '94	Norman Jensen	Andrew Holmes	Allan H. Wilson	G. Goodman	1 and 3 Tues.
212 Hallock	Hallock	'17, '95	Louis Hallum	Frank Phillips	Louis P. Jones	John H. MacDonald	2 and 3 Fri.
213 Mystic	Atkin	'17, '95	P. L. Mathisen	W. L. Beach	J. P. Bengtson	C. W. Webb	1 and 3 Tues.
214 Evansville	Evansville	'17, '95	H. L. Melgaard	I. K. Onstad	B. S. Buckingham	O. L. Melgaard	1 and 3 Tues.
215 Argyle	Argyle	'16, '96	Theo. M. Thomas	Wm. N. Cayott	C. C. Collins	J. P. Hauck	1 and 3 Wed.
216 Florence	Wood Lake	'16, '96	James Manderson	John F. Beckman	Lewis F. Smith	Chas. Mitchell	1 and 3 Tues.
217 Capital City	St. Paul	'16, '96	Axel Nelson	A. L. DeLong	N. Lunsford	Chas. L. Phifer	1 and 3 Mon.
218 Griswold	Dassel	'14, '97	Newton Smith	Albert Nystuen	Richard Blackman	S. B. Pope	1 and 3 Mon.
219 Mt. Hermon	Hancock	'14, '97	G. W. Diemenbroek	F. A. Salomon	F. W. Schaefer	L. H. Wilson	2 and 4 Sat.
220 Olivia	Olivia	'13, '98	John Michie	N. P. Frederickson	Joseph Garry	Chas. R. Laingen	1 and 3 Wed.
221 Equity	Cottonwood	'13, '98	L. C. Kene	W. F. Coon	R. N. Gordon	F. L. Sampson	1 and 3 Wed.
222 Elvian	Elysian	'13, '98	David R. Eaton	John C. King	Rafael M. Pope	Henry Atkins	2 and 4 Sat.
223 Mora	Mora	'12, '99	Charles E. Foster	Lou N. King	E. B. Hazard	Victor H. Stough	1 and 3 Tues.
224 Minnesota	Minneapolis ..	'12, '99	Chauncey H. Works	Lou N. King	Alfred J. Gebhard	Frank W. Rinke	1 and 3 Mon.
225 Justice	Lamberton	'12, '99	Roscoe L. Cramb	Himan A. Cohen	Harry P. Bacon	Chas. F. Searle	1 and 3 Tues.
226 Lincoln	Milaca	'12, '99					

227	Park Region.....	Elbow Lake.....	Jan.	18	'00	Geo. L. Woodworth.....	J. E. Peterson.....	Paul I. Stahl.....	G. I. Brandt.....	2 and 4 Mon.
228	Vernon Center.....	Vernon Center.....	Jan.	18	'00	Clinton Cornish.....	H. C. Kraus.....	H. A. King.....	N. P. Alward.....	1 and 3 Sat.
229	Stewart.....	Stewart.....	Jan.	18	'00	W. H. Houck.....	A. C. Schultz.....	Geo. W. Nutter.....	O. E. Smith.....	2 and 4 Ths.
230	Alpha.....	Hendrum.....	Jan.	18	'00	Marius Hansen.....	Victor H. Moffat.....	Henry Marsten.....	C. C. Peterson.....	1 and 3 Tues.
231	Magnolia.....	Sherburn.....	Jan.	18	'00	C. E. Greent.....	John Griedeland.....	O. P. Empey.....	C. F. Mickelson.....	1 and 3 Mon.
232	Chicago.....	Bemidji.....	Jan.	18	'00	C. F. Greent.....	Adolph Mueller.....	Theodore Martin.....	Laurence A. Fauley.....	1 and 3 Wed.
233	Sandstone.....	Edgerton.....	Jan.	24	'01	Wm. McCuag.....	W. C. Klein.....	E. N. French.....	M. A. Clark.....	1 and 3 Wed.
234	Edgerton.....	Sandstone.....	Jan.	24	'01	James Percy.....	Richard J. Colvin.....	John P. Keller.....	William Aiken.....	1 and 3 Fri.
235	Edgerton.....	Sandstone.....	Jan.	24	'01	Arnold Filling.....	Frank E. Douty.....	Robert E. Thomas.....	Frank F. Burdett.....	1 and 3 Fri.
236	Edgerton.....	Sandstone.....	Jan.	24	'01	Daniel Shaw.....	F. J. Stebbins.....	G. R. Launing.....	W. E. Baker.....	1 and 3 Mon.
237	Albert Pike.....	Hopkins.....	Jan.	24	'01	Wm. L. Feudner.....	Gus Williams.....	D. K. Yorey.....	Frank K. Wade.....	1 and 3 Wed.
238	Equality.....	Minnesota.....	Jan.	23	'02	G. B. Bjornson.....	D. H. Walrath.....	S. C. Poole.....	G. A. Dalmann.....	1 and 3 Wed.
239	Eveleth.....	Minnesota.....	Jan.	23	'02	F. Barrett.....	T. H. Davey.....	I. C. Jones.....	M. W. Burt, Jr.....	1 and 3 Wed.
240	Astra.....	Lester Prairie.....	Jan.	23	'02	Ovette L. Day.....	Otto W. Lundsten.....	Edward G. Robinson.....	Harry S. Kirk.....	2 and 4 Sat.
241	Frazee.....	Ruthon.....	Jan.	23	'02	Dennis L. Durkin.....	Edward F. Gummer.....	Geo. W. Clayton.....	Chas. L. Wilcox.....	2 and 4 Wed.
242	Ruthon.....	Ruthon.....	Jan.	23	'02	M. J. Calderwood.....	J. A. Carlson.....	C. M. Christensen.....	Christ Jensen.....	2 and 4 Wed.
243	Cass.....	Cass Lake.....	Jan.	23	'02	Fred W. Smith.....	Herbert E. Reed.....	Chas. E. Batties.....	Geo. E. Marshall.....	1 and 3 Tues.
244	Cass.....	Cass Lake.....	Jan.	23	'02	E. J. Smith.....	E. L. Hall.....	C. P. Eastman.....	P. S. Purdy.....	1 and 3 Wed.
245	Wabasso.....	Wabasso.....	Jan.	25	'03	A. J. Weldon.....	Emil Howe.....	D. E. Billington.....	Geo. N. Heins.....	2 and 4 Tues.
246	Fides.....	Sanborn.....	Jan.	25	'03	Henry J. Fink.....	John H. Posz.....	Chas. P. Davis.....	Poster W. Stevens.....	1 and 3 Fri.
247	Norality.....	Hendricks.....	Jan.	25	'03	A. J. Forsell.....	C. P. Sonnenchein.....	E. C. Johnson.....	G. P. Skartum.....	1 and 3 Tues.
248	Raymond.....	Raymond.....	Jan.	25	'03	Frank E. Smith.....	George C. Hedtke.....	Frank E. Schneider.....	Richard M. Tuckey.....	2 and 4 Sat.
249	Barro.....	Echo.....	Jan.	25	'03	John T. Gill.....	Phillip Melchor.....	D. McCorquodale.....	C. L. Hardy.....	2 and 4 Tues.
250	Lakefield.....	Lakefield.....	Jan.	25	'03	James W. Daubney.....	Frank R. Hansen.....	Bert W. Payne.....	G. R. VanDike.....	1 and 3 Mon.
251	McKinley.....	Tyler.....	Jan.	25	'03	J. P. Jensen.....	T. T. Gronlund.....	B. C. Knudsen.....	H. Sykes.....	2 and 4 Fri.
252	Morton.....	Morton.....	Jan.	25	'03	John B. D. Wagner.....	Albert Mathies.....	Robert C. Hinman.....	Wm. W. McGowan.....	1 and 3 Ths.
253	Dexter.....	Dexter.....	Jan.	25	'03	Oliver J. Dickens.....	Bert E. Warn.....	Wm. E. Daily.....	Robert Eckford.....	1 and 3 Ths.
254	Lake Park.....	Lake Park.....	Jan.	25	'03	Emanuel Berg.....	John Nelson.....	A. O. Roen.....	W. I. Norby.....	2 and 4 Wed.
255	Mesaba.....	Hibbing.....	Jan.	21	'04	James A. Robinson.....	Walter N. Trenery.....	William C. Northey.....	Clark Fisk Corey.....	2 and 4 Ths.
256	Hawley.....	Hawley.....	Jan.	21	'04	Frank M. Higgins.....	Fletcher R. Hall.....	T. B. C. Evans.....	E. E. Stoner.....	1 and 3 Mon.
257	Fellowship.....	North St. Paul.....	Jan.	21	'04	C. B. Boody.....	I. G. Earhuff.....	C. M. Hoppe.....	Henry H. Blinn.....	2 and 4 Wed.
258	Montgomery.....	St. Paul.....	Jan.	18	'05	Wm. W. Steight.....	Frank R. Bunnell.....	Norman W. Foster.....	Thos. J. Brennan.....	1 and 3 Wed.
259	Berry.....	Atley.....	Jan.	18	'05	Charles F. Scheers.....	James H. Mosher.....	Palmer H. Irish.....	B. N. Macomber.....	2 and 4 Tues.
260	Truth.....	Fairfax.....	Jan.	18	'05	C. E. Beale.....	A. E. Wilcox.....	C. F. Bassett.....	C. W. Heilmann.....	1 and 3 Tues.
261	Fairfax.....	Lake Wilson.....	Jan.	18	'06	A. E. Carver.....	T. J. Tradewell.....	A. F. Rieke.....	Martin Forrest.....	2 and 4 Sat.
262	Lake Wilson.....	St. Paul.....	Jan.	18	'06	Robt. B. Forrest.....	Wm. S. Pattinson.....	M. E. Lang.....	Karl L. Fiesler.....	1 and 3 Fri.
263	Tusler.....	Virginia.....	Jan.	18	'06	Fred Joerns.....	Geo. E. Rouse.....	Oscar Turner.....	Wm. R. Wasson.....	2 and 4 Mon.
264	Virginia.....	Robbinsdale.....	Jan.	18	'06	C. T. Fairbairn.....	Trotter.....	Chas. B. Lenont.....	John V. Ruble.....	2 and 4 Mon.
265	Compass.....	Westbrook.....	Jan.	18	'06	Geo. E. Swift.....	F. M. Libby.....	Eugene Forsaith.....	J. A. Pearson.....	1 and 3 Wed.
266	Onyx.....	Westbrook.....	Jan.	18	'06	G. W. McFarland.....	V. I. Miller.....	B. C. Coffius.....	J. A. Pearson.....	1 and 3 Wed.

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LODGES LOST OR CHANGED, WITH CAUSE.

No.	Lodge.	Town.	County.	Date of Charter.	Cause of Being Stricken from Roll.	
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey	Feb. 24, 1853	Charter surrendered, accepted by Grand Lodge Jan. 9, 1856, and restored to second St. Paul, No. 3, Jan. 18, 1900.	
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey	Jan. 10, 1856	Charter surrendered Jan. 18, 1900, and charter of Feb. 24, 1853, accepted in its place.	
6	Shakopee	Shakopee	Scott	Jan. 2, 1855	Charter arrested in October, 1850, and surrendered in 1860.	
9	Faribault	Faribault	Rice	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1863; restored in October, 1864; surrendered June 1, 1865, and restored to second Faribault, No. 9, Jan. 18, 1906.	
10	Pacific	St. Paul.....	Ramsey	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter surrendered Dec. 27, 1881.	
13	Henderson	Henderson	Sibley	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1859, and surrendered in 1860.	
15	St. Cloud.....	St. Cloud.....	Stearns	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1859, and surrendered in 1860.	
25	Meridian	Chetfield	Fillmore	Oct. 27, 1858	Charter surrendered in 1860.	
35	Mount Moriah ..	Hastings	Dakota	Oct. 27, 1858	Charter surrendered in 1860.	
53	Faribault	Faribault	Rice	Oct. 24, 1860	Consolidated with Dakota, No. 7, Dec. 27, 1905.	
65	Golden Rule.....	Lakeland	Washington	Oct. 25, 1865	Changed to No. 9, Jan. 15, 1869, by Grand Lodge; charter surrendered and exchanged for original charter of No. 9, Jan. 18, 1906.	
68	Northern Light..	Fort Garry.....	Manitoba	Oct. 23, 1867	Charter surrendered Feb. 14, 1906.	
70	Forest City.....	Forest City.....	Meeker	Oct. 23, 1867	U. D. at Pembina and Fort Garry from September, 1863; charter never delivered.	
73	Brownsville	Brownsville	Houston	Jan. 15, 1869	Charter surrendered in 1873.	
74	Minneiska	Minneiska	Wabasha	Jan. 15, 1869	Charter surrendered May 12, 1905.	
88	Yellowstone	Fort Buford.....	Dakota Ter..	Jan. 10, 1872	Charter destroyed by fire in 1881, and not reissued.	
105	Shiloh	Fargo	Dakota Ter..	Jan. 14, 1874	Charter surrendered June 6, 1874; members mostly soldiers.	
107	Adoniram	Dover	Olmstead	Jan. 11, 1876	Permission given to transfer to Grand Lodge of North Dakota in January, 1880.	
120	Rismarck	Bismarck	Dakota Ter..	Jan. 11, 1876	Charter surrendered in November, 1880.	
127	Centennial	Delano	Dakota Ter..	Jan. 10, 1877	Transferred allegiance to Grand Lodge of North Dakota in December, 1880.	
130	Arcturus	Red Wing.....	Wright	Jan. 16, 1878	Charter arrested in September, 1886, and never restored.	
133	Pelican Rapids...	Pelican Rapids...	Goodhue	Jan. 16, 1878	Consolidated with Red Wing, No. 8, April 23, 1897.	
			Otter Tail....	Jan. 16, 1890	Charter forfeited Jan. 16, 1896, and surrendered Sept. 6, 1896.	

APPENDIX C.—ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS FOR 1905.

Number.	Name of Lodge.	Location.	Members Jan. 1, 1905.	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Joined.	Restored.	Total Gain.	Withdrawn.	Stricken from Roll.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Died.	Total Loss.	Members Jan. 1, 1906	Fees and Dues.		Lodge Dues Unpaid.	Other Lodge Assets.	Lodge Liabilities.
																	For 1905.	Paid Grand Secretary.			
1	St. Johns	Stillwater	164	14	10	10	4	1	14	1	1	1	1	5	6	172	\$97.20	\$97.20	\$900	\$3,341	\$110
2	Cataract	Minneapolis	481	21	22	22	12	1	35	4	2	2	2	9	9	375	253.80	253.80	150	\$7,011	625
3	St. Paul	St. Paul	354	29	24	23	7	2	30	1	1	1	1	9	9	375	214.00	214.00	750	7,011	625
4	Rennepp	Minneapolis	336	32	31	31	8	1	11	6	3	3	3	9	15	332	183.40	183.40	950	\$9,340	625
5	Ancient Landm k	St. Paul	497	26	22	19	9	2	30	2	3	3	3	20	20	507	258.20	258.20	1,070	17,183	625
6	Dakota	Hastings	107	1	4	15	81	2	86	2	4	4	4	3	3	134	49.60	49.60	68	2,276	625
7	Red Wing	Red Wing	144	4	2	9	5	1	2	4	6	6	6	2	2	139	60.80	60.80	100	\$12,730	6,880
8	Faribault	Faribault	162	12	9	9	5	1	15	2	2	2	2	1	1	169	92.40	92.40	100	\$5,158	34
9	Mantorville	Mantorville	63	2	2	2	5	1	7	1	1	1	1	3	3	62	30.00	30.00	170	389	389
10	Mankato	Mankato	173	5	2	2	5	2	5	2	2	2	2	3	3	173	75.40	75.40	109	\$11,440	5,000
11	Wapahosa	Wapahosa	64	2	3	3	3	2	5	2	2	2	2	3	3	67	33.20	33.20	213	\$2,470	5,000
12	Monticello	Monticello	72	2	4	4	1	2	5	2	2	2	2	3	3	74	37.60	37.60	182	\$5,534	5,000
13	Hokah	Hokah	16	2	4	4	1	2	5	2	2	2	2	3	3	74	6.00	6.00	182	\$5,534	5,000
14	Winona	Winona	324	18	18	18	3	3	22	1	1	1	1	17	17	332	178.00	178.00	350	11,300	5,000
15	Minneapolis	Minneapolis	1010	59	58	57	40	3	100	13	13	13	13	12	12	1085	568.80	568.80	1,888	37,486	5,000
16	Caledonia	Caledonia	61	2	1	1	1	2	1	3	3	3	3	2	2	80	98.00	98.00	28	77	2,821
17	Rochester	Rochester	144	9	7	6	5	2	13	3	3	3	3	2	2	180	76.80	76.80	32	\$2,821	2,821
18	Pleasant Grove	Pleasant Grove	56	1	1	1	1	1	3	4	4	4	4	1	1	164	24.20	24.20	77	\$2,821	2,821
19	North Star	North Star	139	8	9	8	2	1	10	4	4	4	4	1	1	184	86.60	86.60	58	2,000	2,000
20	Alma City	Alma City	35	1	2	2	3	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	37	19.00	19.00	58	2,000	2,000
21	Western Star	Western Star	226	13	11	10	3	1	13	7	7	7	7	3	3	289	120.40	120.40	175	770	770
22	Blue Earth Val.	Blue Earth Val.	79	6	7	7	3	1	10	4	4	4	4	3	3	84	50.00	50.00	97	\$5,930	961
23	Clear Water	Clear Water	54	1	1	1	2	1	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	55	24.20	24.20	97	\$1,508	100
24	Morning Star	Morning Star	49	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	47	21.40	21.40	92	\$1,508	100
25	Anoka	Anoka	137	2	3	3	2	1	6	2	2	2	2	3	3	140	61.60	61.60	132	1,762	1,762
26	King Hiram	King Hiram	47	1	1	1	1	1	6	2	2	2	2	1	1	46	19.40	19.40	97	746	746
27	Sakatah	Sakatah	63	5	4	4	1	1	6	4	4	4	4	1	1	65	36.60	36.60	110	687	687
28	Star in the East	Star in the East	108	14	17	16	6	1	23	4	4	4	4	1	1	125	88.20	88.20	284	1,442	1,442
29	Owatonna	Owatonna	72	4	4	4	2	1	5	5	5	5	5	3	3	72	40.40	40.40	102	\$2,100	200
30	Mount Moriah	Mount Moriah	81	4	3	3	2	1	5	82	3	3	3	1	1	80	36.80	36.80	102	\$2,100	200
31	Preston	Preston	87	2	1	1	1	1	5	6	6	6	6	1	1	81	35.00	35.00	151	\$4,000	400
32	Mystic Tie	Mystic Tie	39	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	37	15.40	15.40	72	\$4,000	400
33	Washington	Washington	70	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	68	31.80	31.80	102	\$1,700	25
34	West Concord	West Concord	70	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	68	31.80	31.80	102	\$1,700	25

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																	For 1905.	Paid Grand Secretary.			
39	Fidelity	Austin	194	12	10	31	3	1	15	6	4				10	199	106.60	106.20	540	*3,546	175
40	Carnelian	Lake City	102	10	8	8	1	1	9	2				1	5	106	64.80	64.80	110	1,692	
41	Hermion	Zumbrota	62	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	2				2	62	28.00	28.00	68	532	
42	Hope	Glencoe	78	4	3	2	1	1	4	2	2				2	80	39.80	39.80	600	*6,763	2,400
43	Harmony	Lewiston	30	1						1						29	12.60	12.60	28	*490	25
44	King Solomon	Shakopee	67	2	1	1	1	1	14	4				2	6	75	62.80	62.40	200	600	100
45	Union	Le Sueur	57	2	1	1	1	1	2	2				1	1	58	26.40	26.40	131	88	
46	Evergreen	Clyde	42	4	4	3	1	1	3	4	2				2	39	25.40	25.40	70	*1,220	
47	Concord	Cleveland	33	1	1	1	1	1	3	1				1	3	32	15.40	15.40	50	509	
48	Social	Northfield	133	8	7	7	2	1	10	2					3	141	74.80	74.80	260	2,307	
49	Rising Sun	St. Charles	127	5	5	5	2	1	6	4	1			3	7	121	61.00	61.00	22	*2,701	556
50	Watertown	Watertown	37	3	3	3	2	1	2	1	1				1	34	30.00	30.00	97	*1,115	
51	Acacia	Cottage Grove	32	5	2	2	2	1	2	1	2				2	38	21.00	21.00	50	*1,690	
52	Cannon River	Morristown	38	4	2	2	1	1	3	2					3	38	22.00	22.00	40	*2,150	500
53	Nicollet	St. Peter	108	3	7	2	1	1	10	2					3	136	59.80	59.40	133	648	
54	Zion	Taylor Falls	130	2	2	2	1	2	6	2					3	133	16.80	16.80	111	415	30
55	Meridian	Chatfield	155	4	4	5	3	2	9	4				1	3	139	72.40	72.00	50	*4,334	
56	Blue Earth City	Blue Earth	119	6	5	5	1	1	11	3	5				11	114	59.20	59.20	135	2,202	
57	Spring Valley	Spring Valley	97	6	7	7	2	1	6	4				1	4	104	57.60	57.60	170	678	
58	Temple	Hutchinson	121	4	2	2	2	2	11	3	3				6	124	55.60	55.60	325	58	
59	Star in the West	Sauk Centre	82	12	12	9	2	2	11	2	2			3	6	87	63.40	63.40	835	*1,760	
60	Star in the West	Eyota	68	3	2	2	1	1	2	2					2	68	32.40	32.40	125	*1,542	
61	Ashtler	Rockford	61	2	3	3	1	1	1	1				1	2	66	29.00	29.00	90	2,324	
62	Star	Plainview	57	3	3	3	1	1	5	3				1	4	73	44.20	44.20	70	888	400
63	Illustrious	Farmington	72	8	5	5	1	1	3	5				1	5	172	83.40	83.40	205	*21,200	7,385
64	Chain Lake	Madelia	47	1	2	2	1	1	3	3					5	47	22.60	22.60	284	595	70
65	Madelia	Farmington	47	1	2	2	1	1	3	3				1	5	47	22.80	22.80	126	893	280
66	Corinthian	Rushford	63	9	6	6	2	1	8	3	1				3	71	46.20	46.20	140	280	
67	Mystic Star	Paynesville	58	1	1	1	1	1	8	3					3	59	35.00	35.00	74	700	
68	Paynesville	Lansing	34						1	2				1	3	32	12.40	12.40	60	*878	232
69	Lansing	Le Roy	84	2	2	2	1	1	2	1	4				1	83	33.20	33.20	261	*2,159	
70	Eureka	Good Thunder	33	2	2	2	2	2	2	1					1	30	17.20	17.20	150	600	
71	Loppa	Waseca	89	3	1	3	2	2	4	11	3			3	17	76	35.20	35.20	150	1,200	

78 Mystic Circle.....	44	2	4	3	3	1	2	1	3	44	25.40	25.40	30	1,100
79 Palestine.....	523	47	40	37	11	1	1	6	14	568	327.60	327.60	1,036	15,763
80 Henderson.....	44	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45	21.20	21.20	58	*3,212
81 Constellation.....	63	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	61	29.00	29.00	130	841
82 Howard Lake.....	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	61	26.60	26.60	60	2,550
83 Huron Abi.....	64	9	8	8	2	2	2	2	3	71	49.40	49.40	75	575
84 Orient.....	16	4	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	16	13.60	13.60	35	925
85 High Forest.....	44	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	44	17.60	17.60	52	1,902
86 Tyrian.....	56	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	9	57	25.40	25.40	184	1,606
87 Doric Wells.....	62	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	9	60	33.00	33.00	51	899
88 Golden Fleece.....	141	4	6	3	3	3	3	2	17	127	62.60	62.60	172	1,821
89 Good Faith.....	83	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	82	36.00	36.00	171	1,019
90 Antiquity.....	100	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	4	103	\$45.40	\$45.40	\$3,000	\$4,700
91 Fraternal.....	60	6	6	6	1	1	1	1	1	66	41.60	41.60	64	838
92 Unity.....	42	10	4	1	1	1	1	1	6	38	29.40	29.40	93	428
93 Keystone.....	58	7	7	7	7	7	7	1	3	67	26.80	26.80	130	3,802
94 Sherburne.....	72	4	4	4	4	4	4	6	8	87	33.20	33.20	136	175
95 Libanus.....	65	4	3	3	3	1	1	1	4	87	50.00	50.00	136	*12,145
96 St. James.....	84	6	6	6	1	1	1	1	4	85	32.80	32.80	96	*5,550
97 Prudence.....	86	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	137	85.00	85.00	200	1,100
98 Charity.....	122	13	12	12	5	1	1	1	3	198	96.40	96.40	250	2,500
99 Corner Stone.....	188	8	7	5	4	1	1	6	3	78	42.60	42.60	143	1,160
100 Aurora.....	77	5	3	3	3	3	3	1	8	73	22.60	22.60	136	275
101 Fraternity.....	35	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	79	38.40	38.40	288	1,000
102 Lebanon.....	76	4	3	3	3	1	1	1	2	78	39.20	39.20	483	1,704
103 Bethel.....	76	4	3	3	3	2	2	3	12	109	65.40	65.40	281	2,219
104 Sharon.....	113	8	9	8	5	2	1	4	3	61	37.60	37.60	97	*2,085
105 Mt. Tabor.....	55	6	5	5	3	1	1	1	2	123	56.60	56.60	179	3,584
106 Relief.....	124	4	2	3	1	1	1	1	5	49	22.20	22.20	127	375
107 Sunset.....	50	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	26	73	10.00	10.00	73	2,537
108 Pickwick.....	26	23	25	3	4	4	4	7	17	400	219.60	219.60	452	11,228
109 Carver.....	385	24	23	25	3	4	4	7	17	400	219.60	219.60	452	11,228
110 Minneapolis.....	79	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	5	81	36.80	36.80	60	552
111 Excelsior.....	62	3	3	3	3	1	1	2	5	61	32.20	32.20	131	1,326
112 Luverne.....	46	2	3	3	3	1	1	1	3	48	25.60	25.60	50	631
113 Elgin.....	54	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	5	53	21.20	21.20	50	*3,505
114 Granite.....	47	5	6	5	1	1	1	6	8	46	32.00	32.00	700	700
115 Brownsdale.....	49	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	7	46	19.80	19.80	40	707
116 Granite Falls.....	125	11	10	12	2	2	2	4	4	135	81.40	81.40	279	1,226
117 Newport.....	36	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	38	23.00	23.00	47	1,460
118 Marshall.....	125	11	10	12	2	2	2	4	4	135	81.40	81.40	279	1,226
119 Delta.....	36	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	38	23.00	23.00	47	1,460
120 Grand Meadow.....	30	8	8	8	3	3	3	1	1	29	11.60	11.60	18	411
121 Kellogg.....	47	8	8	8	3	3	3	1	6	56	43.40	43.40	150	650
122 Kellogg.....	47	8	8	8	3	3	3	1	6	56	43.40	43.40	150	650
123 Prairie.....	80	1	3	3	1	1	1	2	2	78	36.60	36.60	117	360
124 Jameville.....	67	10	8	8	2	2	2	1	4	63	25.20	25.20	254	*3,353
125 Winslow Lewis.....	69	10	8	8	2	2	2	1	4	63	25.20	25.20	254	*3,353
126 Moorhead.....	69	10	8	8	2	2	2	1	4	63	25.20	25.20	254	*3,353
127 Moorhead.....	69	10	8	8	2	2	2	1	4	63	25.20	25.20	254	*3,353

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																	For 1905.	Paid Grand Secretary.			
128	Josephus	Mapleton	84	1	6	4	1			6	7			1	14	70	29.00	29.00	250	4,300	2,045
129	Swift	Benson	60	6	3	3	1			3	3			1	7	58	27.20	27.20	158	586	87
131	Alma	Lyle	67	3	3	4	1			3	3				26	54	25.40	25.40	46	500	
132	Humboldt	Young America	33	2	2	2	1			1	1				1	39	13.80	13.80	25	4,236	1,300
133	Golden Sheaf	Morris	85	2	2	2	2	1		1	1				1	83	39.60	39.60	175	242	
132	Cokato	Cokato	41	8	9	8	1			1	1				1	49	41.00	41.00	110	975	
135	Nelson	Buffalo	53	2	3	6	1			6	1			2	3	56	38.00	38.00	47	8,150	
136	Walnut	Walnut Grove	33	2	3	2	2			2	2				2	33	19.40	19.40	58	321	
137	Appleton	Appleton	97	6	6	6	1			6	4				4	54	56.00	56.00	200	2,800	
138	Orion	Atwater	57	2	2	4	3			7	4				5	38	23.20	23.20	76	421	
139	Vermont	Vermont	38	9	6	4	3			1	3				4	38	31.40	31.40	143	5,463	2,775
140	Little Falls	Little Falls	98	4	16	15	1			16	5				11	98	51.00	51.00	240	691	
141	Crookston	Crookston	189	16	16	15	1			16	5				4	204	122.60	122.60	385	8,947	2,750
142	Currie	Currie	71	11	11	6	1			1	1				4	23	9.20	9.20	92	201	
143	Lakeview	Ortonville	23	3	3	3	1			3	3				1	30	57.20	57.20	400	770	75
144	Bird Island	Bird Island	23	3	3	3	1			3	3				1	30	19.80	19.80	43	252	
145	Melrose	Melrose	45	4	3	2	2			3	1				1	46	23.80	23.80	63	631	
146	Benton	Lake Benton	76	8	6	6	2			3	3				3	81	26.60	26.60	300	500	
147	Canby	Canby	68	11	11	11	8	1		2	2				7	73	43.60	43.60	267	*1,351	
148	Quarry	Pipestone	66	11	11	11	8	1		4	3				2	79	56.60	56.60	89	565	143
149	Guardian	Brownston	30	1	1	2	1			1	1				4	55	14.20	14.20	334	851	
150	Warren	Warren	55	2	2	2	2			4	3				4	55	26.40	26.40	80	812	75
151	Chaska	Chaska	30	2	2	3	3			3	3				1	29	11.60	11.60	224	*3,686	280
152	Frontier	Breckenridge	62	2	4	5	1			6	3				1	64	31.40	31.40	274	3,686	280
153	Kodahya	Browns Valley	54	4	4	4	1			3	3				2	52	31.40	31.40	108	982	62
154	Norman	Ada	46	3	4	6	1			6	3				2	47	27.60	27.60	120	661	
154	Tracy	Tracy	65	9	8	6	1			6	1				2	69	48.20	48.20	137	924	
156	Wadena	Wadena	71	1	2	3	1			3	2				2	70	30.20	30.20	133	1,491	113
157	Perham	Perham	56	5	7	3	1			3	3				2	52	23.60	23.60	84	460	
158	Hector	Hector	49	1	2	3	1			3	3				2	52	38.80	38.80	124	250	50
159	Long Prairie	Long Prairie	61	1	9	3	1			11	9				11	55	24.00	24.00	150	549	150
160	Plymouth	Minneapolis	218	3	1	9	2			11	3				9	221	111.00	111.00	276	2,835	
161	Sincerity	Villard	42	1			1			1	1				2	40	17.00	17.00	31	*1,037	

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																	For 1906.	Paid Grand Secre-tary.			
208	Itasca	Grand Rapids	60	15	14	14	3		17	3	7			2	12	65	61.20	61.20	177	828	
209	Sibley	Winthrop	25	3	2	3	1		4	1	2			3	5	21	14.00	14.00	51	353	
210	Columbian	Heron Lake	36	4	4	3	1		4	1				2	1	39	24.00	24.00	121	544	
211	Friendship	Graceville	47	2			2		8	1					1	47	20.40	20.40	195	803	
212	Hallock	Hallock	57	4	6	6	2		18	2	4				6	59	36.80	36.80	242	951	
213	Mystic	Atkins	71	3	2	2	1		3	1				1	2	72	34.60	34.60	199	1,221	
214	Evansville	Evansville	27				1		1	1					2	26	10.00	10.00		152	
215	Argyle	Argyle	54	4	4	3			7	1	4			1	6	51	30.20	30.20	100	2,763	1,600
216	Florence	Wood Lake	42	6	4	5	2		6	1				1	8	48	31.40	31.40	165	724	135
217	Capital City	St. Paul	75	5	4	5	4		4					1	74	78	43.80	43.80	136	1,703	9
218	Griswold	Dassel	28	2	1				1	2					3	25	14.00	14.00	50	355	110
219	Mt. Hermon	Hancock	25	1		1			1	1					2	33	15.80	15.80	20	211	
220	Olivia	Cottonwood	34	1	1	1	1		3	2					3	34	15.80	15.80	24	456	
221	Equity	Elysian	28	3	1	1	2		3	2				1	3	29	15.40	15.40	36	241	100
222	Elysian	Elysian	31	3	4	4			4	2				1	3	46	23.80	23.80		527	75
223	Mora	Mora	45	5	4	4			14	8	1			1	10	279	139.00	139.00	441	2,711	
224	Minnesota	Minneapolis	275	12	10	11	3		6							30	15.60	15.60	24	150	150
225	Justice	Lamberton	24	2	2	2	4		7	2				1	3	48	19.80	19.80	108	237	
226	Lincoln	Milaca	50	1			1		7	1				1	2	51	35.60	35.60	40	402	100
227	Park Region	Elbow Lake	46	7	6	5	2		4	1				1	2	39	19.20	19.20	37	400	225
228	Vernon Center	Vernon Center	37	1	2	3	1		4	1				1	4	24	12.20	12.20	42	256	
229	Stewart	Stewart	37	1	1	1			1	2					2	22	30.20	30.20	92	410	41
230	Alpha	Hendrum	15	10	8	15	2		9	3				2	2	61	53.40	53.40	65	551	125
231	Magnolia	Sherburn	48	11	11	13	2		15	3				3	3	44	26.40	26.40	87	1,025	8,738
232	Chicago	North Branch	44	5	3	2	1		3	3				1	5	74	66.20	66.20	127	2,295	100
233	Bemidji	Bemidji	68	16	15	10	1		11	1				1	1	18	21.40	21.40	178	650	
234	Sandstone	Sandstone	37	2	2	3	2		4	1					1	59	13.60	13.60	295	1,373	6,500
235	Edgerton	Edgerton	34	3	3	3	1		9	2				1	5	165	46.80	46.80	73	18,723	1,000
236	Northern	Thief River Falls	48	9	9	10	2		12	3					2	23	11.20	11.20	16	375	150
237	Albert Pike	Hopkins	338	20	19	19	3		22	3				2	25	98	14.20	14.20	85	2,473	
238	Equality	Minnesota	23	4	1					2				1	3	29	90.80	90.80	17	287	
239	Eveleth	Eveleth	101	22	19	19	3		22	3				1	1	45	12.60	12.60	16	390	
240	Astra	Lester Prairie	32	1						1							25.40	25.40			
241	Frazee	Frazee	42	3	3	3	1		4						1						

242	Ruthon	34	4	1	2	2	6	6	1	6	30	18.20	65	407	160
243	Cass	41	7	7	6	6	1	1	1	3	43	35.60	72	725	200
244	Cteau	29	5	6	6	6	1	1	1	3	34	28.20	20	263	195
245	Wabasso	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	21	9.40	4	472	195
246	Fides	26	3	5	5	5	2	1	1	3	28	22.20	6	245	200
247	Morality	22	3	4	4	4	1	1	1	3	25	19.40	50	220	200
248	Raymond	24	4	3	3	3	2	1	1	2	25	18.80	29	180	200
249	Barto	25	8	8	8	1	1	1	1	3	33	33.60	19	578	253
250	Lakefield	33	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	5	32	20.20	25	541	200
251	McKinley	27	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	27	12.00	20	290	200
252	Morton	27	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	31	22.80	6	564	200
253	Dexter	23	3	3	3	2	4	4	4	5	23	\$16.60	\$6	\$408	200
254	Lake Park	43	8	8	8	8	3	3	3	5	43	40.00	66	612	\$272
255	Messaba	75	16	16	13	7	4	4	4	5	90	73.00	88	3,277	1,200
256	Hawley	23	4	4	4	2	1	1	1	5	34	23.20	27	367	160
257	Fellowship	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	22	11.40	52	229	300
258	Montgomery	38	24	24	25	2	2	2	2	2	63	87.40	40	1,975	140
259	Perry	13	10	9	6	2	4	1	1	1	21	30.20	215	487	75
260	Truth	15	2	2	4	4	4	1	1	1	18	13.60	18	215	400
UD	Fairfax	10	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	9.00	26.00	543	230
UD	Lake Wilson	10	9	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	9.00	9.00	361	53
UD	Ramsey	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	16.00	16.00	360	55
UD	Virginia	16	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	20.00	20.00	296	150
UD	Compass	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	34.00	34.00	296	150
UD	Onyx	12	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11791.60	11789.20	296	150
20291	Westbrook	1455	1329	1284	529	69	1882	672	205	7	4	229	1117	21056	.....

*Owns building or an interest in same.

APPENDIX D.

PAY ROLL, 1906.

GRAND OFFICERS.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
Henry M. Tusler, G. Master.....		\$6.00	\$ 6.00	H. M. Tusler.
Thomas Morris, Dep. G. Master..	\$11.70	6.00	17.70	Thos. Morris.
Gustaf Widell, S. G. Warden	3.20	6.00	9.20	Gustaf Widell.
Wm. P. Roberts, J. G. Warden ..	0.20	6.00	6.20	W. P. Roberts.
David W. Knowlton, G. Treas....	0.20	6.00	6.20	D. W. Knowlton.
Thomas Montgomery, G. Sec.....		6.00	6.00	Thos. Montgomery.
Elmer E. Kling, G. Orator	4.80	6.00	10.80	E. G. Kling.
Alfred G. Pinkham, G. Chap.....	2.75	6.00	8.75	A. G. Pinkham.
Eugene E. Swan, S. G. Deacon....	3.15	6.00	9.15	E. E. Swan.
Sheldon L. Frazer, J. G. Deacon	5.70	6.00	11.70	S. L. Frazer.
H. W. Hendrickson, G. St. B.	5.75	6.00	11.75	H. W. Hendrickson.
Edwin H. Foot, G. Sw. B.	1.65	6.00	7.65	E. H. Foot.
Wm. A. Nolan, S. G. Steward	5.10	6.00	11.10	W. A. Nolan.
W. C. Masterman, J. G. Steward..	0.80	6.00	6.80	W. C. Masterman.
Chas. W. Stiles, G. Pursuivant...	3.10	6.00	9.10	C. W. Stiles.
PERMANENT MEMBERS.				
Chas. W. Nash, P. G. M.	0.20	6.00	6.20	C. W. Nash.
Chas. Griswold, P. G. M.	0.20	6.00	6.20	Chas. Griswold.
Henry R. Wells, P. G. M.	6.00	6.00	12.00	H. R. Wells.
Henry R. Denny, P. G. M.		6.00	6.00	H. R. Denny.
A. T. Stebbins, P. G. M.	3.70	6.00	9.70	A. T. Stebbins.
A. Brandenburg, P. G. M.	7.50	6.00	13.50	A. Brandenburg.
G. S. Ives, P. G. M.		6.00	6.00	G. S. Ives.
A. D. Countryman, P. G. M.	6.20	6.00	12.20	A. D. Countryman.
Henry R. Adams, P. G. M.	0.20	6.00	6.20	Henry R. Adams.
Wm. A. McGonagle, P. G. M.	5.70	6.00	11.70	Wm. A. McGonagle
Chas. L. West, P. D. G. M.	3.70	6.00	9.70	Chas. L. West.
Edgar Nash, P. S. G. W.	0.20	6.00	6.20	Edgar Nash.
Albert Marden, P. J. G. W.	3.55	6.00	9.55	Albert Marden.
H. C. Shepard, P. J. G. W.		6.00	6.00	H. C. Shepard.
Wm. B. Patton, P. J. G. W.		6.00	6.00	W. B. Patton.
James D. Markham, P. J. G. W.	2.15	6.00	8.15	J. D. Markham.
COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.				
John T. Johnson	7.50	9.00	16.50	J. T. Johnson.
Julius A. Schmahl	4.30	9.00	13.30	J. A. Schmahl.
Curtis M. Johnson	2.15	9.00	11.15	C. M. Johnson.
			\$813.65	

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

No. of Dist.	Names.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total.	To Whom Paid
2	John Liddell	\$6.35	\$6.00	\$12.35	Jno. Liddell.
9	Chas. L. Spaulding	2.80	6.00	8.80	Chas. L. Spaulding.
11	J. W. Wright	3.10	6.00	9.10	J. W. Wright.
14	Irving Todd	0.80	6.00	6.80	Irving Todd.
17	Harry L. D'Arms	3.50	6.00	9.50	H. L. D'Arms.
19	Henry F. Weis	2.30	6.00	8.30	Henry F. Weis.
20	John B. D. Wagner	4.25	6.00	10.25	John B. D. Wagner.
21	W. A. Hawkins	6.00	6.00	12.00	W. A. Hawkins.
22	Enos P. Dotson	5.00	6.00	11.00	Enos P. Dotson.
24	Mark G. Fossum	4.60	6.00	10.60	Mark G. Fossum.
25	A. A. Horton	5.65	6.00	11.65	A. A. Horton.
27	L. A. Hanes	4.35	6.00	10.35	L. A. Hanes.
28	E. Woodbury	2.70	6.00	8.70	E. Woodbury.
50	E. W. Rossman	4.75	6.00	10.75	E. W. Rossman.
52	Geo. M. Warren	5.10	6.00	11.10	Geo. M. Warren.

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No.	Name of Lodge.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
1	St. Johns	\$0.60	\$6.00	\$6.60	F. W. Gale.
2	Cataract.....	0.20	6.00	6.20	F. L. Gowan.
3	St. Paul .....	.....	6.00	6.00	M. S. Meade.
4	Hennepin	0.20	6.00	6.20	John J. Bullis.
5	Ancient Landmark.....	.....	6.00	6.00	J. K. Robinson.
7	Dakota.....	0.80	6.00	6.80	C. E. Reed.
8	Red Wing	1.65	6.00	7.65	H. J. Herder.
9	Faribault.....	2.10	6.00	8.10	O. M. Henderson.
11	Mantorville	2.95	6.00	8.95	J. M. F. Cooper.
12	Mankato.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	F. L. Searing.
14	Wapahasa	2.80	6.00	8.80	M. W. Doly.
16	Monticello.....	1.90	6.00	7.90	H. N. Cleary.
18	Winona	4.05	6.00	10.05	J. L. Kregstad.
19	Minneapolis.....	0.20	6.00	6.20	H. M. Myers.
20	Caledonia	6.30	6.00	12.30	C. L. Metcalf.
21	Rochester	3.70	6.00	9.70	O. C. Heyerdale.
22	Pleasant Grove.....	8.00	6.00	14.00	C. L. Denny.
23	North Star	3.00	6.00	9.00	C. S. Benson.
26	Western Star.....	4.35	6.00	10.35	N. C. Sorenson.
27	Blue Earth Valley	4.70	6.00	10.70	F. E. Cady.
28	Clear Water	2.50	6.00	8.50	O. D. Whitemore.
29	Morning Star.....	5.05	6.00	11.05	A. Luther.
30	Anoka	1.15	6.00	7.15	P. G. Woodward.
31	King Hiram	1.30	6.00	7.30	Chas. B. Morrel.
32	Sakatah.....	2.60	6.00	8.60	B. L. Blair.
33	Star in the East.....	2.75	6.00	8.75	H. A. Vinton.
34	Oriental	1.60	6.00	7.60	E. A. Dibble.
38	Washington	2.55	6.00	8.55	D. C. Smith.
39	Fidelity	3.70	6.00	9.70	M. O. Anderson.
40	Carnelian	2.55	6.00	8.55	A. W. Corwin.
41	Hermion	2.70	6.00	8.70	T. R. Watson.
42	Hope.....	2.50	6.00	8.50	H. J. Nelson.
44	King Solomon	1.15	6.00	7.15	C. G. Bowdish.
45	Union.....	2.30	6.00	8.30	M. P. Curtis.
46	Evergreen.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	N. G. Bain.
47	Concord	2.75	6.00	8.75	W. C. Davis.
48	Social	1.55	6.00	7.55	J. M. Walden.
49	Rising Sun	4.40	6.00	10.40	E. W. Henbach.
50	Watertown.....	3.05	6.00	9.05	O. W. Mapes.
51	Acacia.....	0.80	6.00	6.80	I. T. Morey.
52	Cannon River.....	2.70	6.00	8.70	Geo. Molm.
54	Nicollet	2.75	6.00	8.75	James. Bennett.
56	Meridian	4.75	6.00	10.75	Wm. Strafford.
57	Blue Earth City.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	F. V. Cummings.
58	Spring Valley	5.10	6.00	11.10	Burdett Thayer.
59	Temple.....	2.80	6.00	8.80	W. W. Sivright.
60	Star in the West.....	4.90	6.00	10.90	C. A. Morse.
61	Ashler.....	4.20	6.00	10.20	I. D. Thompson.
62	Star	2.10	6.00	8.10	Wm Jacobs.
63	Illustrious	4.80	6.00	10.80	J. F. Thompson.
64	Chain Lake.....	5.65	6.00	11.65	W. Bird.
67	Corinthian	1.10	6.00	7.10	C. B. Whittier.
69	Mystic Star.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	W. F. Drake.
71	Paynesville.....	3.75	6.00	9.75	H. A. Wells.
72	Lansing.....	3.80	6.00	9.80	H. R. Soule.
75	Eureka.....	4.55	6.00	10.55	C. S. Harden.
76	Joppa.....	4.00	6.00	10.00	O. M. Reynolds.
77	Tuscan.....	3.10	6.00	9.10	O. J. Lawson.
78	Mystic Circle.....	5.50	6.00	11.50	H. Harris.
79	Palestine	5.70	6.00	11.70	Chas. A. Bronson.
80	Henderson	2.05	6.00	8.05	A. L. Poehler.
81	Constellation.....	5.65	6.00	11.65	W. B. Mitson.
82	Howard	1.90	6.00	7.90	A. G. Moffatt.
83	Huram Abi.....	3.15	6.00	9.15	O. W. Schultz.
84	Orient	5.45	6.00	11.45	Taylor Robinson.
85	High Forest.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	F. H. Englehart.
86	Tyrian.....	2.70	6.00	8.70	John McCabe.
87	Doric.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	G. M. Miller.

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No.	Name of Lodge.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
89	Golden Fleece	\$ 3.10	\$6.00	\$ 9.10	John W. Johnson.
90	Good Faith.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	John Burham.
91	Antiquity.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	O. L. Dornberg.
92	Fraternal.....	2.40	6.00	8.40	J. F. Zimmerman.
93	Unity	3.05	6.00	9.05	G. A. Chilgren.
94	Keystone.....	4.15	6.00	10.15	C. J. Hanson.
95	Sherburne.....	1.65	6.00	7.65	F. D. Waterman.
97	Prudence.....	5.70	6.00	11.70	Nels Auderson.
98	Charity	3.55	6.00	9.55	W. B. Mather.
99	Corner Stone.....	7.60	6.00	13.60	C. L. Hilton.
100	Aurora	4.10	6.00	10.10	Geo. O. Whitney.
101	Fraternity.....	6.90	6.00	12.90	W. E. Bloom.
102	Lebanon.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	W. H. Travis.
103	Bethel.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	J. J. Hughes.
104	Mt. Tabor.....	8.15	6.00	14.15	Casper Wackman.
108	Relief	2.90	6.00	8.90	Gus Crail.
109	Sunset	5.75	6.00	11.75	John Peterson.
110	Pickwick	4.50	6.00	10.50	W. H. Harrington.
111	Carver.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	Jacob Bristle.
112	Khurum.....	0.20	6.00	6.20	Fred W. Webber.
113	Excelsior.....	1.15	6.00	7.15	G. P. Dickinson.
114	Ben Franklin	8.20	6.00	14.20	C. A. Palmer.
115	Elgin.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	R. L. Wood.
116	Lafayette.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	J. N. Thatcher.
117	Granite	5.20	6.00	11.20	B. C. Schram.
118	Newport.....	0.30	6.00	6.30	J. M. Trickey.
119	Delta.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	S. C. Whitmore.
121	Grand Meadow	5.10	6.00	11.10	Geo. A. Wright.
122	Kellogg	3.05	6.00	9.05	Claude Mogren.
123	Prairie	3.40	6.00	9.40	Geo. E. Johnson.
124	Janesville.....	3.35	6.00	9.35	M. A. Devereaux.
125	Winslow Lewis	0.95	6.00	6.95	Fred Biederman.
126	Moorhead.....	9.70	6.00	15.70	J. P. Wolfe.
128	Josephus.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	Jno. M. Sprague.
129	Swift.....	5.30	6.00	11.30	W. Fallis.
131	Alma.....	4.40	6.00	10.40	A. B. Anderson.
132	Humboldt	2.00	6.00	8.00	J. F. Truwe.
133	Golden Sheaf	6.30	6.00	12.30	O. C. Hanson.
134	Cokato.....	2.35	6.00	8.35	G. W. Dahlquist.
135	Nelson	2.20	6.00	8.20	H. S. Saylor.
136	Walnut.....	5.75	6.00	11.75	D. O. Bulen.
137	Appleton.....	6.20	6.00	12.20	W. A. Kyes.
138	Orion	3.60	6.00	9.60	J. A. Walen.
139	Verndale	7.10	6.00	13.10	G. W. Empey.
140	Little Falls.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	O. C. Trace.
141	Crookston.....	11.70	6.00	17.70	W. G. Lytle.
143	Lakeview	7.10	6.00	13.10	E. N. Morrill.
144	Bird Island.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	J. H. Feeter.
145	Melrose	4.35	6.00	10.35	J. N. Canoyer.
146	Benton	7.40	6.00	13.40	W. W. Bliven.
147	Canby	7.20	6.00	13.20	W. T. Evans.
148	Quarry	7.70	6.00	13.70	Geo. E. Sellers.
149	Guardian.....	2.85	6.00	8.85	J. H. GeRoy.
150	Warren.....	12.90	6.00	18.90	C. L. Stevens.
151	Chaska.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	W. C. Odell.
152	Frontier.....	8.30	6.00	14.30	F. E. Knudson.
153	Kodahya	8.15	6.00	14.15	L. C. Bigelow.
154	Norman.....	10.00	6.00	16.00	Peter Sharpe.
155	Tracy.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	G. D. Owens.
156	Wadena	6.35	6.00	12.35	Wm. Dower.
157	Perham	7.30	6.00	13.30	J. L. Sawyer.
158	Hector.....	3.50	6.00	9.50	A. M. Erickson.
159	Long Prairie.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	W. A. Barto.
160	Plymouth.....	0.20	6.00	6.20	F. H. McCusky.
161	Sincerity.....	5.55	6.00	11.55	W. R. Holly.
162	Prescott.....	6.95	6.00	12.95	C. P. Earsley.
163	Summit.....		6.00	6.00	H. P. Fahnstock.
165	Minnehaha.....	0.20	6.00	6.20	Thos. W. Allen.

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166	Garnet	\$ 0.50	\$6.00	\$ 6.50	J. C. Fulton.
167	Agate	7.70	6.00	13.70	M. E. Wheeler.
168	Braden		6.00	6.00	Geo. Brookins.
169	Pierson	8.75	6.00	14.75	M. D. Hawver.
170	Fulda	7.20	6.00	13.20	A. Oppeel.
171	Shekinah .....	.....	6.00	6.00	Edward A. Thiem.
172	Marietta	7.25	6.00	13.25	E. C. Sommermeyer.
173	Plumb Line	2.80	6.00	8.80	Geo. E. Sherwood.
175	Roman Eagle	7.60	6.00	13.60	J. C. Backer.
176	Ark.	0.20	6.00	6.20	C. C. Kramer.
177	Rough Ashlar	1.85	6.00	7.85	W. N. Southworth.
178	Anchor	3.85	6.00	9.85	Thos. McDougall.
179	King David	5.45	6.00	11.45	S. C. Moore.
180	Osakis	5.25	6.00	11.25	G. R. Babbitt.
181	Dalles	5.55	6.00	11.55	O. S. Parker.
182	Fair Haven	2.50	6.00	8.50	M. E. Fellows.
184	Shell	7.95	6.00	13.95	W. M. Taber.
185	Midway .....	.....	6.00	6.00	C. E. Collett.
186	Ionic	5.70	6.00	11.70	John Cox.
187	Arcana	0.20	6.00	6.20	W. H. Ronald.
189	Traverse	8.20	6.00	14.20	J. J. Christensen.
190	Triune .....	.....	6.00	6.00	Ed. A. Paradis.
191	Mizpah	0.20	6.00	6.20	F. W. Wentworth.
192	Crow River	3.95	6.00	9.95	S. H. Stauffer.
194	Canton	7.40	6.00	13.40	C. R. Vail.
195	Renville	4.60	6.00	10.60	S. M. McIntosh.
197	Vermillion	10.10	6.00	16.10	M. C. Woodard.
198	Euclid	5.70	6.00	11.70	W. J. Darby.
199	Murray	7.20	6.00	13.20	A. D. Smith.
200	Zenith	4.70	6.00	10.70	J. Schmelz.
201	Kenyon	2.15	6.00	8.15	J. A. Gates.
202	Atelier	6.60	6.00	12.50	C. H. Sullivan.
203	Stewartville	4.05	6.00	10.05	C. E. Fawcett.
204	St. Elmo	8.10	6.00	14.10	Andrew Rae.
205	Wayzata	0.85	6.00	6.85	Wm. Bushnell.
207	Crescent	5.50	6.00	11.50	A. B. Church.
208	Itasca	8.35	6.00	14.35	A. A. Kremer.
209	Sibley	2.80	6.00	8.80	Frank Hagberg.
210	Columbian	6.15	6.00	12.15	J. H. Dudley.
211	Friendship	7.85	6.00	13.35	James E. Dean.
212	Hallock	14.60	6.00	20.60	Mormon G. Jensen.
213	Mystic	6.60	6.00	12.60	Louis Hallum.
215	Argyle	13.85	6.00	19.85	T. K. Onstad.
216	Florence	5.20	6.00	11.20	T. M. Thomas.
217	Capital City .....	.....	6.00	6.00	James Manderson.
220	Olivia	4.15	6.00	10.15	G. W. Diepenbrock.
221	Equity	5.60	6.00	11.60	Jno. Michie.
222	Elysian	2.85	6.00	8.85	L. C. Keene.
223	Mora	3.05	6.00	9.05	D. R. Eaton.
224	Minnesota	0.20	6.00	6.20	C. E. Foster.
225	Justice	5.55	6.00	11.55	L. Redding.
226	Lincoln	2.95	6.00	8.95	H. A. Cohen.
227	Park Region	6.85	6.00	12.85	Geo. L. Woodworth.
228	Vernon Center	4.15	6.00	10.15	G. C. Cornish.
229	Stewart	3.15	6.00	9.15	W. H. Houck.
230	Alpha	10.75	6.00	16.75	Marius Hansen.
231	Magnolia	5.55	6.00	11.55	C. E. Greene.
232	Chicago	1.70	6.00	7.70	E. M. Dahlby.
234	Sandstone	3.40	6.00	9.40	James Percy.
235	Edgerton	12.05	6.00	18.05	A. Pilling.
236	Northern	11.90	6.00	17.90	B. Christianson.
237	Albert Pike	0.60	6.00	6.50	W. A. Feuderer.
238	Equality	6.45	6.00	12.45	S. W. Janason.
239	Eveleth	9.20	6.00	15.20	T. H. Davey.
240	Astra	2.10	6.00	8.10	O. W. Lundsten.
241	Frazee	7.75	6.00	13.75	D. L. Durken.
242	Ruthon	7.00	6.00	13.00	M. J. Calderwood.

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244	Coteau.....	\$8.50	\$8.00	\$12.50	C. P. Eastman.
245	Wabasso.....	5.00	8.00	11.00	A. J. Weldon.
246	Fides.....	5.00	8.00	11.00	E. P. Dotson.
247	Morality.....	8.05	8.00	14.05	L. M. Lerwick.
248	Raymond.....	4.55	8.00	10.55	S. Edmonson.
251	McKinley.....	7.65	8.00	13.05	J. P. Jensen.
252	Morton.....	4.25	8.00	10.25	J. B. W. Wagner.
253	Dexter.....	4.45	8.00	10.45	O. J. Dickens.
254	Lake Park.....	9.65	8.00	15.65	Emanuel Berg.
255	Mesaha.....	8.75	8.00	14.75	J. A. Robinson.
256	Hawley.....	9.15	8.00	15.15	F. M. Higgins.
257	Fellowship.....	0.20	8.00	6.20	C. B. Boody.
258	Montgomery.....	.....	8.00	8.00	W. W. Sleight.
259	Berry.....	7.95	8.00	13.95	C. F. Scheers.
	Total.....	.....	.....	\$2,728.75	

APPENDIX E.

NAMES OF LODGES ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

Name.	No.	Name.	No.	Name.	No.
Acacia	51	Frontier	152	Northern	236
Agate	167	Fulda	170	North Star	23
Albert Pike	237	Garnet	166	Olivia	220
Alpha	230	Geneva	136	Onyx	266
Alma	131	Golden Fleece	89	Orient	84
Amboy	193	Golden Sheaf	133	Oriental	34
Anchor	178	Good Faith	90	Orion	138
Ancient Landmark	5	Grand Meadow	121	Osakis	180
Anoka	30	Granite	117	Palestine	79
Antiquity	91	Griswold	218	Park Region	227
Appleton	137	Guardian	149	Paynesville	71
Arcana	187	Hallock	212	Perham	157
Argyle	215	Harmony	43	Pickwick	110
Ark	176	Hawley	256	Pierson	169
Ashler	61	Hector	168	Pleasant Grove	22
Astra	240	Henderson	80	Plumb Line	173
Atelier	202	Hennepin	4	Plymouth	160
Aurora	100	Hermion	41	Prairie	123
Barto	249	High Forest	85	Prescott	162
Bemidji	233	Hokah	17	Preston	36
Ben Franklin	144	Hope	42	Prudence	97
Benton	146	Howard	82	Quarry	148
Berry	259	Humboldt	132	Raymond	248
Bethel	103	Huram Abi	33	Red Wing	8
Bird Island	144	Illustrious	63	Relief	108
Blue Earth City	57	Ionic	186	Renville	195
Blue Earth Valley	27	Itasca	208	Rising Sun	49
Braden	168	Janesville	124	Rochester	21
Caledonia	20	Jasper	164	Roman Eagle	175
Canby	147	Joppa	76	Rough Ashlar	177
Cannon River	52	Josephus	128	Ruthon	242
Canton	194	Justice	225	St. Elmo	204
Capital City	217	Kellogg	122	St. Johns	1
Carnelian	40	Kenyon	201	St. Paul	3
Carver	111	Keystone	94	Sakatah	32
Cass	243	Khurum	112	Sandstone	234
Cataract	2	King David	179	Sharon	104
Chain Lake	64	King Hiram	31	Shekinah	171
Charity	98	King Solomon	44	Shell	184
Chaska	151	Kodahya	153	Sherburne	95
Chicago	232	Lafayette	116	Sibley	209
Clear Water	28	Lakefield	250	Sincerity	161
Cokato	134	Lake Park	254	Social	48
Columbian	210	Lakeview	143	Spring Valley	58
Compass	265	Lake Wilson	262	Star	62
Concord	47	Lansing	72	Star in the East	33
Constellation	81	Lebanon	102	Star in the West	60
Corinthian	67	Libanus	96	Stewart	229
Corner Stone	99	Lincoln	226	Stewartville	203
Coteau	244	Little Falls	140	Summit	163
Crescent	207	Long Prairie	159	Sunset	109
Crookston	141	Madelia	66	Swift	129
Crow River	192	Magnolia	231	Temple	59
Currie	142	Mankato	12	Tracy	155
Dakota	7	Mantorville	11	Traverse	189
Dalles	181	Marietta	172	Truth	260
Delta	119	McKinley	251	Triune	190
Dexter	253	Melrose	145	Tuscan	77
Doric	87	Meridian	56	Tusler	263
Edgerton	235	Mesaba	255	Tyrian	86
Elgin	115	Midway	185	Union	45
Elysian	222	Minneapolis	165	Unity	93
Equality	238	Minnehaha	49	Valley	174
Equity	221	Minnesota	224	Vermillion	197
Euclid	198	Mizpah	191	Verndale	139
Eureka	75	Montgomery	258	Vernon Center	228
Evansville	214	Monticello	16	Virginia	264
Everleth	239	Moorhead	126	Wabasso	245
Evergreen	46	Mora	223	Wadena	156
Excelsior	113	Morality	247	Walnut	136
Fairfax	261	Morning Star	29	Wapahasa	14
Fair Haven	182	Morton	252	Warroad	UD
Faribault	9	Mount Hermon	219	Warren	150
Fellowship	257	Mount Tabor	106	Washington	38
Fidelity	39	Murray	198	Watertown	50
Fides	246	Mystic	213	Wayzata	205
Florence	216	Mystic Circle	78	Western Star	26
Fortitude	188	Mystic Star	69	Wilton	24
Fosston	206	Mystic Tie	37	Winona	18
Fraternal	92	Nelson	135	Winslow Lewis	125
Fraternity	101	Newport	118	Zenith	200
Frazee	241	Nicollet	54	Zion	55
Friendship	211	Norman	154		

APPENDIX F.

LOCATION OF LODGES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

Location.	Lodge.	No.	Location.	Lodge.	No.
Ada	Norman	154	Eyota	Ashler	61
Adrian	Roman Eagle	175	Fairfax	Fairfax	261
Aitkin	Mystic	213	Fairmont	Chain Lake	64
Akeley	Berry	259	Faribault	Faribault	9
Albert Lea	Western Star	26	Farmington	Corinthian	67
Alexandria	Constellation	81	Fergus Falls	Corner Stone	99
Alma City	Wilton	24	Fosston	Fosston	206
Amboy	Amboy	193	Frazee	Frazee	241
Annandale	Fair Haven	182	Fulda	Fulda	179
Anoka	Anoka	30	Glencoe	Hope	42
Appleton	Appleton	137	Glenwood	Valley	174
Argyle	Argyle	215	Good Thunder	Joppa	76
Atwater	Orion	138	Graceville	Friendship	211
Austin	Fidelity	39	Grand Meadow	Grand Meadow	121
Barnesville	Pierson	169	Grand Rapids	Itasca	208
Belgrade	Crow River	192	Granite Falls	Granite	117
Belle Plaine	Rough Ashlar	177	Hallock	Hallock	212
Bemidji	Bemidji	233	Hancock	Mt. Hermon	219
Benson	Swift	129	Hastings	Dakota	7
Bird Island	Bird Island	144	Hawley	Hawley	256
Blooming Prairie	Prairie	123	Hector	Hector	158
Blue Earth	Blue Earth City	57	Henderson	Henderson	80
Brainerd	Aurora	100	Hendricks	Morality	247
Breckenridge	Frontier	152	Hendrum	Alpha	230
Bricelyn	Truth	260	Herman	Prescott	162
Brown's Valley	Kodahya	153	Heron Lake	Columbian	210
Brownsdale	Lafayette	116	Hibbing	Mesaba	255
Brownston	Guardian	149	High Forest	High Forest	85
Buffalo	Nelson	135	Hokah	Hokah	17
Caledonia	Caledonia	20	Hopkins	Albert Pike	237
Campbell	Agate	167	Houston	Mystic Circle	78
Canby	Canby	147	Howard Lake	Howard	82
Cannon Falls	Oriental	34	Hutchinson	Temple	59
Canton	Canton	194	Jackson	Good Faith	90
Carver	Carver	111	Janessville	Janessville	124
Cass Lake	Cass	243	Jasper	St. Elmo	204
Chaska	Chaska	151	Jordan	King Hiram	31
Chatfield	Meridian	56	Kasson	Huram Abi	83
Clear Water	Clear Water	28	Kellogg	Kellogg	122
Cleveland	Concord	47	Kenyon	Kenyon	201
Cloquet	Dalles	181	Kimball	Plumb Line	173
Clyde	Evergreen	46	La Crescent	Morning Star	29
Cokato	Cokato	134	Lake Benton	Benton	146
Cottage Grove	Acacia	51	Lake City	Carnelian	40
Cottonwood	Equity	221	Lake Crystal	Bethel	103
Crookston	Crookston	141	Lakefield	Lakefield	250
Currie	Currie	142	Lake Park	Lake Park	254
Dassel	Grissold	218	Lake Wilson	Lake Wilson	282
Dawson	Atelier	202	Lamberton	Justice	225
Detroit	Mt. Tabor	106	Lanesboro	Lebanon	102
Dexter	Dexter	253	Lansing	Lansing	72
Dodge Center	Relief	108	Le Roy	Eureka	75
Duluth	Palestine	79	Lester Prairie	Astra	240
Duluth	Ionic	186	Le Sueur	Union	45
Echo	Barto	249	Lewiston	Harmony	43
Edgerton	Edgerton	234	Litchfield	Golden Fleece	89
Elbow Lake	Park Region	227	Little Falls	Little Falls	140
Elgin	Elgin	115	Long Prairie	Long Prairie	159
Elk River	Sherburne	95	Luverne	Ben Franklin	114
Elmore	King David	179	Lyle	Alma	131
Elysian	Elysian	222	Madelia	Madelia	66
Evansville	Evansville	214	Madison	Geneva	196
Eveleth	Eveleth	239	Mankato	Mankato	12
Excelsior	Excelsior	113			

APPENDIX F.—Continued.

Location.	Lodge.	No.	Location.	Lodge.	No.
Mantorville	Mantorville	11	Shakopee	King Solomon...	44
Marietta	Marietta	172	Slayton	Murray	199
Marshall	Delta	119	Sherburn	Magnolia	231
Mapleton	Josephus	128	Sleepy Eye.....	Keystone	94
Mazeppa	Tyrian	86	South St. Paul...	Mizpah	191
Melrose	Melrose	145	Springfield	Zenith	200
Milaca	Lincoln	226	Spring Valley...	Spring Valley...	58
Minneapolis	Catacraft	2	Staples	Crescent	207
Minneapolis	Hennepin	4	Stewart	Stewart	229
Minneapolis	Minneapolis	19	Stewartville	Stewartville	203
Minneapolis	Khurum	112	Stillwater	St. Johns.....	1
Minneapolis	Plymouth	160	St. Charles.....	Rising Sun.....	49
Minneapolis	Minnehaha	165	St. Cloud	North Star.....	23
Minneapolis	Ark	176	St. James.....	Libanus	96
Minneapolis	Arcana	187	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	3
Minneapolis	Minnesota	224	St. Paul.....	Anc't Landm'k.	5
Minneota	Equality	238	St. Paul.....	Summit	163
Money Creek.....	Orient	84	St. Paul.....	Braden	168
Montevideo	Sunset	109	St. Paul.....	Shekinah	171
Monticello	Monticello	16	St. Paul.....	Midway	185
Moorhead	Moorhead	126	St. Paul.....	Triune	190
Mora	Mora	223	St. Paul.....	Capital City....	217
Morris	Golden Sheaf... 133	133	St. Paul.....	Montgomery	258
Morristown	Cannon River... 52	52	St. Paul.....	Tusler	263
Morton	Morton	252	St. Peter.....	Nicollet	54
Newport	Newport	118	Taylor's Falls...	Zion	55
New Ulm.....	Charity	98	Thief River Falls.	Northern	236
North Branch...	Chisago	232	Tower	Vermillion	197
North St. Paul..	Fellowship	257	Tracy	Tracy	155
Northfield	Social	48	Two Harbors....	Fortitude	188
Olivia	Olivia	220	Tyler	McKinley	251
Ortonville	Lakeview	143	Verndale	Verndale	139
Osakis	Osakis	180	Vernon Center...	Vernon Center...	228
Osseo	Winslow Lewis.. 125	125	Villard	Sincerity	161
Owatonna	Star in the East. 33	33	Virginia	Virginia	264
Park Rapids....	Shell	184	Wabasha	Wapahasa	14
Paynesville	Paynesville	71	Wabasso	Wabasso	245
Perham	Perham	157	Wadena	Wadena	156
Pickwick	Pickwick	110	Walnut Grove...	Walnut	136
Pine Island....	Mystic Tie.....	37	Warren	Warren	150
Pipestone	Quarry	148	Warroad	Warroad	UD
Plainview	Illustrious	63	Waseca	Tuscan	77
Pleasant Grove..	Pleasant Grove.. 22	22	Watertown	Watertown	50
Preston	Preston	36	Waterville	Sakatah	32
Princeton	Fraternal	92	Wayzata	Wayzata	205
Raymond	Raymond	248	Wells	Doric	87
Red Wing.....	Red Wing.....	8	Westbrook	Onyx	266
Redwood Falls..	Antiquity	91	West Concord...	Washington	38
Renville	Renville	195	West Duluth....	Euclid	9
Robbinsdale	Compass	265	Wheaton	Traverse	189
Rochester	Rochester	21	White Bear.....	Garnet	166
Rockford	Star	62	Willmar	Sharon	104
Royalton	Anchor	178	Windom	Prudence	97
Rush City	Jasper	164	Winnebago City..	Blue Earth Val'y	17
Rushford	Mystic Star.....	69	Winona	Winona	28
Russell	Coteau	244	Winthrop	Sibley	209
Ruthon	Ruthon	242	Wood Lake.....	Florence	216
Sanborn	Fides	246	Worthington	Fraternity	101
Sandstone	Sandstone	234	Young America..	Humboldt	132
Sauk Centre....	Star in the West. 60	60	Zumbrota	Hermion	41
Sauk Rapids....	Unity	93			

In Memoriam.

Thomas Jefferson Lombard

Past Senior Grand Warden

Born at Bangor, Maine, in 1816.
Died at Hudson, Wis., March 12, 1905.

Past Grand Masters.

Name.	Jurisdiction.	Date of Death.
Luke A. Lockwood	Connecticut	Nov. 20, 1905
Angus Paterson	Florida	July 26, 1905
John N. McClanahan	Iowa	Nov. 30, 1904
Almon R. Dewey	Iowa	April 15, 1905
George S. Green	Kansas	May 19, 1905
Henry C. Loomis	Kansas	Oct. 14, 1905
Samuel M. Todd	Louisiana	Feb. 1, 1905
Byron C. Hill	Michigan	April 15, 1905
William Dunham	Michigan	June 30, 1905
George W. Peck	Michigan	June 30, 1905
John M. McGrath	Michigan	Dec. 9, 1905
Andrew H. Barkley	Mississippi	Dec. 9, 1905
Robert W. Furnas	Nebraska	June 1, 1905
Thomas W. Tilden	New Jersey	Aug. 10, 1905
Jesse B. Anthony	New York	May 26, 1905
David C. Moore	Nova Scotia	Mar. 17, 1905
Reuben C. Lemmon	Ohio	Sept. 6, 1905
Thomas A. Hamilton	Tennessee	Oct. 1, 1905
Thomas M. Reed	Washington	Oct. 7, 1905
Emmons E. Chapin	Wisconsin	May 17, 1905

DEATHS IN 1905.

Name of Lodge.	No.	Name of Deceased.	Date.
St. Johns.....	1	Hiram T. King.....	Aug. 20, 1905
		W. Dudley Warren.....	Nov. 10, 1905
		James Rooney.....	Nov. 25, 1905
		William W. McPherson.....	Dec. 18, 1905
		Charles W. Jellison.....	Dec. 26, 1905
Cataract	2	E. G. Clough.....	Jan. 27, 1905
		C. J. Mardorf.....	Apr. 12, 1905
		James Patton.....	May 13, 1905
		John Woods.....	Sept. 7, 1905
		Martin Whitcomb.....	Oct. 12, 1905
St. Paul.....	3	Willis I. Gardner.....	Feby. 5, 1905
		George R. Metcalf.....	Mch. 1, 1905
		I. W. Thompson.....	May 15, 1905
		I. K. Hoffman.....	May 25, 1905
		I. H. Horton.....	July 21, 1905
		E. H. C. Taylor.....	Aug. 13, 1905
		Romaine Sheire.....	Oct. 11, 1905
Hennepin	4	D. S. Works.....	Feby. 17, 1905
		Henry Payne.....	Feby. 25, 1905
		George Zeller.....	May 12, 1905
		Terge Thoralsen.....	May 15, 1905
		Henry C. Carlisle.....	May 26, 1905
		Fred. J. Williamson.....	July 28, 1905
		E. H. Austin.....	July 28, 1905
		Nathaniel T. Hauser.....	Aug. 13, 1905
		H. A. Burr.....	Oct. 19, 1905
Ancient Landmark.....	5	Reuben Warner.....	Feby. 28, 1905
		Wm. R. Burkhard.....	Mch. 3, 1905
		Nathan Jacobs.....	June 26, 1905
		William P. Jewett.....	Aug. 17, 1905
		William F. Fifield.....	Sept. 26, 1905
		Fred Woodbourne.....	Dec. 5, 1905
Dakota	7	John Ward.....	Dec. 8, 1905
		Adelbert E. Cook.....	Jan. 17, 1905
		Isaac Marx.....	June 5, 1905
		Michael Sorg.....	July 27, 1905
Red Wing.....	8	Henry C. Hodgman.....	March 11, 1905
		Edward T. Howard.....	May 16, 1905
		Rudolph Kruger.....	Oct. 11, 1905
Faribault	9	Henry Pierce, Jr.....	Feby. 21, 1905
		D. M. Cool.....	Dec. 14, 1905
Mantorville	11	C. A. Miller.....	June 21, 1905
Mankato	12	Sheldon F. Barney.....	April 20, 1905
		Wm. H. Palmer.....	Sept. 10, 1905
		Pierre L. Vranizan.....	Nov. 26, 1905
Monticello	16	William Tubbs.....	Jan. 16, 1905
		Louis E. Reynolds.....	Nov. 17, 1905
		Enoch W. Dyer.....	Dec. 2, 1905
Winona	18	John G. Rose.....	Feb. 8, 1905
		Emerson D. Dyar.....	Feb. 21, 1905
		Benton H. Langley.....	March 7, 1905
		Thos. N. Woodward.....	March 15, 1905
		Columbia Drew.....	May 20, 1905
		Hermann Littan.....	Aug. 5, 1905
		Samuel A. Forest.....	Dec. 7, 1905
Minneapolis	19	J. N. Berg.....	Jan. 9, 1905
		Chas. H. Lord.....	Jan. 23, 1905
		Norman I. Colburn.....	March 4, 1905
		Martin C. Johnson.....	March 6, 1905
		Lorenzo D. Day.....	March 24, 1905
		C. A. Horn.....	May 13, 1905
		Edward Dowers.....	Sept. 1, 1905
		A. M. Higgins.....	Oct. 28, 1905
		A. H. Laursen.....	Nov. 11, 1905
		George S. Greenleaf.....	Nov. 14, 1905
		F. H. Evans.....	Nov. 19, 1905
		F. H. Barnard.....	Nov. 28, 1905
Caledonia	20	Joshua Rollins.....	Dec. 6, 1905
Rochester	21	W. Logan Brackenridge.....	June 24, 1905
		Barney Hackett.....	July 12, 1905
North Star.....	23	John Kray.....	May 6, 1905

DEATHS IN 1905.—Continued.

Name of Lodge.	No.	Name of Deceased.	Date.
Western Star.....	26	Leander Thomas.....	April 30, 1905
		Anthony Trow.....	May 15, 1905
		William Pickle.....	Aug. 19, 1905
Blue Earth Valley.....	27	Ole Mikkelson.....	Sept. 5, 1905
Anoka.....	30	Chester C. Stewart.....	Feb. 26, 1905
King Hiram.....	31	Phillip Kipp.....	Feb. 23, 1905
Star in the East.....	33	Edward G. Porter.....	March 9, 1905
Oriental.....	34	John Smith.....	Jan. 19, 1905
		Foster B. Barlow.....	Feb. 1, 1905
		David Wright.....	May 23, 1905
Mt. Morish.....	35	George Barbaras.....	Aug. 21, 1905
Preston.....	36	R. A. Gutsch.....	Feb. 20, 1905
Mystic Tie.....	37	Loren G. Thompson.....	Jan. 8, 1905
		William S. Newton.....	Dec. 27, 1905
Washington.....	38	Miller M. Severns.....	Sept. 6, 1905
Carnelian.....	49	J. J. Doughty.....	Feb. 11, 1905
King Solomon.....	44	Daniel M. Storer.....	Jan. 13, 1905
		Henry C. Newcomb.....	Feb. 10, 1905
Union.....	45	Henry P. Dane.....	May 16, 1905
Concord.....	47	George Simpson.....	March 23, 1905
Rising Sun.....	49	Caleb C. Bachelder.....	Feb. 24, 1905
		N. V. A. Crow.....	June 2, 1905
		William Davidson.....	Nov. 8, 1905
Watertown.....	50	Frank L. Halgren.....	Dec. 4, 1905
Acacia.....	51	William H. Kean.....	March 28, 1905
Zion.....	55	Eugene E. Blanding.....	Feb. 2, 1905
Chatfield.....	56	George H. Burk.....	April 21, 1905
Blue Earth City.....	57	Lorenzo Nichols.....	March 20, 1905
		Lysander Stiles.....	May 21, 1905
Spring Valley.....	58	J. R. Johnson.....	Feb. 27, 1905
Star in the West.....	60	Nelson H. Miner.....	April 21, 1905
		Josiah Cooper.....	Nov. 3, 1905
		Vergel M. Thomason.....	Dec. 12, 1905
Star.....	62	Ebenezer Brandon.....	May 27, 1905
Illustrious.....	68	Asa Y. Felton.....	June 14, 1905
Madelia.....	66	William R. Estes.....	Nov. 14, 1905
Corinthian.....	67	Gideon R. Hart.....	Jan. 20, 1905
Lansing.....	72	C. N. Scranton.....	June 29, 1905
Waseca.....	77	L. B. Abbott.....	May, 1905
		I. S. Abell.....	July 1, 1905
		E. R. Holbrook.....	July 20, 1905
Mystic Circle.....	78	William C. Raasig.....	1904
Palestine.....	79	Alfred J. Frantz.....	Jan. 15, 1905
		Reuben W. Ranney.....	Feb. 22, 1905
		William H. Nesbitt.....	April 11, 1905
		Philip J. Ewald.....	May 29, 1905
		John Perry.....	July 9, 1905
Howard.....	82	John R. Carey.....	Aug. 24, 1905
Huram Abi.....	83	John W. Custer.....	May 18, 1905
		Harrison Brayton.....	May 14, 1905
		Joel Tucker.....	Nov. 19, 1905
Orient.....	84	Joseph E. Crandall.....	Feb. 27, 1905
Golden Fleece.....	89	Wm. Hilderbrandt.....	March 8, 1905
		Henderson M. Angier.....	Dec. 30, 1905
Antiquity.....	91	Walter L. Peavey.....	July 15, 1905
Fraternat.....	92	Edward A. Gates.....	
Kyrstone.....	94	Joseph M. Stiles.....	Feb. 28, 1905
Sherburne.....	95	Robert Roy Hodgson.....	1905
Prudence.....	97	Louis G. Dustin.....	July 16, 1905
Corner Stone.....	99	Chas. H. Goodsell.....	Jan. 10, 1905
Aurora.....	100	Emil Holmes.....	March 15, 1905
Mt. Tabor.....	106	John E. Wood.....	Feb. 3, 1905
		Mylo S. Converse.....	Nov. 12, 1905
		Richard H. Phalon.....	Dec. 4, 1905
Relief.....	108	Oliver H. Phillips.....	Oct. 5, 1905
Sunset.....	109	Nathaniel M. Reynolds.....	Jan. 13, 1905
		Walter M. Taylor.....	Aug. 13, 1905

DEATHS IN 1905.—Continued.

Name of Lodge.	No.	Name of Deceased.	Date.
Khurum	1	Joseph A. Bowman.....	May 7, 1905
		Washington S. Cilley.....	May 13, 1905
		Chas. P. Barker.....	June 12, 1905
		Elias W. Mortimer.....	Aug. 6, 1905
		Edward R. Brown.....	Nov. 11, 1905
		Sigmund B. Abeles.....	Dec. 15, 1905
		Charles W. Johnson.....	Dec. 22, 1905
Ben Franklin.....	114	Wm. O. Preston.....	Aug. 12, 1905
		Wm. Jacobson.....	Aug. 21, 1905
Elgin	115	Robert Williams.....	Feb. 10, 1905
Grand Meadow.....	121	Jacob A. Raymond.....	Sept. 12, 1905
Winslow Louis.....	125	Christ Schwappach.....	Jan. 26, 1906
Moorhead	126	Fred Ambbs.....	Jan. 8, 1905
Josephus.....	133	James Ellis.....	Oct. 8, 1905
Swift	129	Frank M. Thornton.....	July 15, 1905
Cokato	134	Lafayette Eplin.....	Nov. 16, 1905
Nelson	135	John C. Nugent.....	Jan. 15, 1905
		Howard W. Crooks.....	May 4, 1905
Melrose	145	Chas. D. Lamb.....	Sept. 6, 1905
Canby	147	Frank L. Mennie.....	Dec. 27, 1905
Quarry	148	John L. Green.....	Sept. 27, 1905
Guardian	149	Frederick R. Griebie.....	May 25, 1905
Warren	150	Knud J. Taralseth.....	Oct. 14, 1905
Chask	151	Gustav Krayenbuhl.....	June 5, 1905
Frontier	152	Ezra G. Valentine.....	Aug. 19, 1905
Norman	154	James Chick.....	Oct. 15, 1905
Wadena	156	Henry Sottong.....	March 19, 1905
Perham	157	Isaac Taylor.....	July 30, 1905
		Frank Heap.....	Jan. 19, 1905
Long Prairie.....	159	James Hart.....	June 21, 1905
Plymouth.....	160	James Lloyd.....	March 11, 1905
		Ceylon S. McDonald.....	May 27, 1905
		Washington I. Milliken.....	June 15, 1905
Sincerity	161	F. E. Smith.....	Jan. 5, 1905
Summit	163	James E. Hull.....	Jan. 31, 1905
		Benj. F. Wright.....	Feb. 5, 1905
		Hiram D. Brown.....	April 16, 1905
		Joseph O. Pattee.....	May 24, 1905
Jasper	164	John Edward Gemmel.....	Nov. 11, 1905
Minnehaha	165	Robert E. Williams.....	March 17, 1905
		Nels Skooglund.....	April 7, 1905
Garnet	166	Thomas Bardsley.....	Oct. 10, 1905
Bradin	168	Theodore Bunker.....	Jan. 16, 1905
Shekinah	171	John M. Daggett.....	May 13, 1905
Roman Eagle.....	175	James H. Faragher.....	Oct. 12, 1905
		Andrew G. Lindgren.....	Dec. 9, 1905
Ark	176	William C. Bosworth.....	Jan. 28, 1905
		Florian E. Hansen.....	Feb. 19, 1905
		James W. Woodman.....	Dec. 2, 1905
Osakis	180	John H. Rock.....	Sept. 29, 1905
Dalles	181	Henry B. Allen.....	July 24, 1905
Fair Haven.....	182	Edward G. Stark.....	Feb. 3, 1905
		Frank H. Gary.....	June 16, 1905
Shell	184	James Thompson.....	Feb. 16, 1905
		Square S. McKinley.....	Feb. 19, 1905
		Thomas Defore.....	March 1, 1905
Ionic	186	Edgar C. Woods.....	Aug. 20, 1905
		John W. Miller.....	Nov. 20, 1905
Arcana	187	James E. Beire.....	May 21, 1905
Traverse	189	Lars Solem.....	July 7, 1905
		Lee Cameron.....	Nov. 2, 1905
Triune	190	Benj. J. Sturtevant.....	April 20, 1905
Mizpah	191	M. F. Lineau.....	Sept. 6, 1905
Crow River.....	192	Ingbret E. Peterson.....	Sept. 6, 1905
Amboy	193	H. E. Sager.....	Oct. 3, 1905
Euclid	198	Robert Stone.....	May 12, 1905
		Iral H. Dibbell.....	July 13, 1905
Crescent	207	Robert Murray.....	April 7, 1905
		William Gray.....	Oct. 13, 1905
Itasca	208	John A. Dolph.....	Sept. 10, 1905
		Fred O. Johnson.....	Oct. 13, 1905

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Name of Lodge.	No.	Name of Deceased.	Date.
Sibley	209	Theodore Burgett.....	July 7, 1905
Columbian	210	William Pfister.....	Nov. 30, 1905
Mystic	213	Wiley P. St. John.....	Oct. 21, 1905
Argyle	215	Cyprien B. Dezell.....	June 1, 1905
Capital City.....	217	George Jose.....	Jan. 13, 1905
Mora	223	Ginkin Morgan.....	March 29, 1905
Minnesota	224	Henry B. Powers.....	March 29, 1905
Lincoln	226	Theo. C. Shove.....	Oct. 30, 1905
Park Region.....	227	Ballard P. Goad.....	March 9, 1905
Vernon Center.....	228	Jacob Hatwedt.....	Aug. 13, 1905
Northern	236	Frank Fernald.....	1905
Eveleth.....	239	Edwin Hill.....	Sept. 22, 1905
		S. L. Johnson.....	Feb. 1905
Astra	240	Hans VonNostetz.....	Sept. 12, 1905
Cass	243	Edward A. Schubert.....	April 28, 1905
Lakefield	250	James A. Smeallie.....	Nov. 25, 1905
Dexter	253	William D. Hill.....	Jan. 12, 1905
Mesaha	255	William D. Medbery.....	Sept. 16, 1905
Hawley.....	256	Amos Shepard.....	June 6, 1905
		Jacob Dinsmore.....	April 20, 1905

APPENDIX G.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

To all whom it may concern, greeting:

Know ye, that in accordance with a standing resolution of the Grand Lodge, I have divided the jurisdiction, and appointed District Deputy Grand Masters, as follows:

FIRST DISTRICT.

JOHN W. MCKAY (215), Argyle, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Crookston, No. 141.....	Crookston	Argyle, No. 215.....	Argyle
Warren, No. 150.....	Warren	Alpha, No. 230.....	Hendrum
Norman, No. 154.....	Ada	Bemidji, No. 233.....	Bemidji
Fosston, No. 206.....	Fosston	Northern, No. 236.....	Thief River Falls
Hallock, No. 212.....	Hallock	Cass, No. 243.....	Cass Lake

SECOND DISTRICT.

CASPER WACKMAN (106), Detroit, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Aurora, No. 100.....	Brainard	Shell, No. 184.....	Park Rapids
Mt. Tabor, No. 106.....	Detroit	Crescent, No. 207.....	Staples
Verndale, No. 139.....	Verndale	Mystic, No. 213.....	Aitkin
Wadena, No. 156.....	Wadena	Frazee, No. 241.....	Frazee
Perham, No. 157.....	Perham	Berry, No. 259.....	Akeley

THIRD DISTRICT.

LUCIUS A. BARNES (198) West Duluth, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Palestine, No. 79.....	Duluth	Euclid, No. 198.....	West Duluth
Dalles, No. 181.....	Cloquet	Itasca, No. 208.....	Grand Rapids
Ionic, No. 186.....	Duluth	Eveleth, No. 239.....	Eveleth
Fortitude, No. 188.....	Two Harbors	Mesaba, No. 255.....	Hibbing
Vermillion, No. 197.....	Tower	Virginia, No. 264.....	Virginia

FOURTH DISTRICT.

CLIFF L. HILTON (99), Fergus Falls, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Corner Stone, No. 99.....Fergus Falls
 Moorhead, No. 126.....Moorhead
 Frontier, No. 152.....Breckenridge
 Agate, No. 167.....Campbell
 Pierson, No. 169.....Barnesville

Evansville, No. 214.....Evansville
 Park Region, No. 227.....Elbow Lake
 Lake Park, No. 254.....Lake Park
 Hawley, No. 256.....Hawley

FIFTH DISTRICT.

CHAS. A MORSE (60), Sauk Centre, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Star in the West, No. 60...Sauk Centre
 Constellation, No. 81.....Alexandria
 Melrose, No. 145.....Melrose
 Long Prairie, No. 159.....Long Prairie

Sincerity, No. 161.....Villard
 Valley, No. 174.....Glenwood
 Osakis, No. 180.....Osakis

SIXTH DISTRICT.

GEORGE F. FOSTER (140), Little Falls, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Monticello, No. 16.....Monticello
 North Star, No. 23.....St. Cloud
 Clear Water, No. 28.....Clear Water

Unity, No. 93.....Sauk Rapids
 Little Falls, No. 140.....Little Falls
 Anchor, No. 178.....Royalton

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

B. D. GRANT (92), Princeton, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Anoka, No. 30.....Anoka
 Fraternal, No. 92.....Princeton
 Sherburne, No. 95.....Elk River

Mora, No. 223.....Mora
 Lincoln, No. 225.....Milaca
 Sandstone, No. 234.....Sandstone

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

JOHN W. HERRICK (257), North St. Paul, D. . D. . G. . M. .

St. Johns, No. 1.....Stillwater
 Zion, No. 55.....Taylor Falls
 Jasper, No. 164.....Rush City

Garnet, No. 166.....White Bear
 Chisago, No. 232.....North Branch
 Fellowship, No. 257.....North St. Paul

NINTH DISTRICT.

HARRIE S. SAYLOR (135), Buffalo, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Star, No. 62.....	Rockford	Plumb Line, No. 173.....	Kimball
Paynesville, No. 71.....	Paynesville	Fair Haven, No. 182.....	Annandale
Nelson, No. 135.....	Buffalo	Crow River, No. 192.....	Belgrade

TENTH DISTRICT.

HENRY J. RAMSETT (104), Willmar, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Sharon, No. 104.....	Willmar	Prescott, No. 162.....	Herman
Swift, No. 129.....	Benson	Mt. Hermon, No. 219.....	Hancock
Golden Sheaf, No. 133.....	Morris	Raymond, No. 248.....	Raymond

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

JAMES H. STRONG (138), Atwater, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Watertown, No. 50.....	Watertown	Cokato, No. 134.....	Cokato
Howard, No. 82.....	Howard Lake	Orion, No. 138.....	Atwater
Golden Fleece, No. 89.....	Litchfield	Griswold, No. 218.....	Dassel

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

HUGH B. MARCHBANK (112), Minneapolis, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Hennepin, No. 4.....	Minneapolis	Wayzata, No. 205.....	Wayzata
Minneapolis, No. 19.....	Minneapolis	Minnesota, No. 224.....	Minneapolis
Khurum, No. 112.....	Minneapolis	Albert Pike, No. 237.....	Hopkins
Excelsior, No. 113.....	Excelsior		

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

JOSEPH S. TODD (2), Minneapolis, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Cataract, No. 2.....	Minneapolis	Ark, No. 176.....	Minneapolis
Winslow Lewis, No. 125.....	Osseo	Arcana, No. 187.....	Minneapolis
Plymouth, No. 160.....	Minneapolis	Compass, No. 265.....	Robbinsdale
Minnehaha, No. 166.....	Minneapolis		

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

A. M. BERGSTROM (258), St. Paul, D. . D. . G. . M. .

St. Paul, No. 3.....	St. Paul	Newport, No. 118.....	Newport
Ancient Landmark, No. 5.....	St. Paul	Braden, No. 168.....	St. Paul
Dakota, No. 7.....	Hastings	Montgomery, No. 258.....	St. Paul
Acacia, No. 51.....	Cottage Grove		

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

FRANK W. MATSON (190), St. Paul, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Summit, No. 163.....	St. Paul	Mizpah, No. 191.....	South St. Paul
Shekinah, No. 171.....	St. Paul	Capital City, No. 217.....	St. Paul
Midway, No. 185.....	St. Paul	Tusler, No. 263.....	St. Paul
Triune, No. 190.....	St. Paul		

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

HAYDEN FRENCH (143), Ortonville, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Appleton, No. 137.....	Appleton	Traverse, No. 189.....	Wheaton
Ortonville, No. 143.....	Ortonville	Friendship, No. 211.....	Graceville
Kodahya, No. 153.....	Browns Valley		

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

J. H. FEETER (144), Bird Island, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Sunset, No. 109.....	Montevideo	Hector, No. 158.....	Hector
Granite, No. 117.....	Granite Falls	Renville, No. 195.....	Renville
Bird Island, No. 144.....	Bird Island	Olivia, No. 220.....	Olivia

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

WM. C. ODELL (151), Chaska, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Hope, No. 42.....	Glencoe	Guardian, No. 149.....	Brownston
Temple, No. 59.....	Hutchinson	Chaska, No. 151.....	Chaska
Carver, No. 111.....	Carver	Stewart, No. 229.....	Stewart
Humbolt, No. 132.....	Young America	Astra, No. 240.....	Lester Prairie

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

HARRY F. WEIS (45), Le Sueur, D.: D.: G.: M.:

King Hiram, No. 31.....	Jordan	Nicollet, No. 54.....	St. Peter
King Solomon, No. 44.....	Shakopee	Henderson, No. 80.....	Henderson
Union, No. 45.....	Le Sueur	Rough Ashlar, No. 177.....	Belle Plaine
Concord, No. 47.....	Cleveland		

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

JOHN B. D. WAGNER (252), Morton, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Antiquity, No. 91.....	Redwood Falls	Florence, No. 216.....	Wood Lake
Marietta, No. 172.....	Marietta	Barto, No. 249.....	Echo
Geneva, No. 196.....	Madison	Morton, No. 252.....	Morton
Atalier, No. 202.....	Dawson	Fairfax, No. 261.....	Fairfax

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

L. M. LERWICK (247), Hendricks, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Delta, No. 119.....	Marshall	Equality, No. 238.....	Minneota
Benton, No. 146.....	Lake Benton	Ruthon, No. 242.....	Ruthon
Canby, No. 147.....	Canby	Coteau, No. 244.....	Russell
Quarry, No. 148.....	Pipestone	Morality, No. 247.....	Hendricks
St. Elmo, No. 204.....	Jasper	McKinley, No. 251.....	Tyler
Equity, No. 221.....	Cottonwood		

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

ENOS P. DOTSON (246), Sanborn, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Keystone, No. 94.....	Sleepy Eye	Sibley, No. 209.....	Winthrop
Charity, No. 98.....	New Ulm	Justice, No. 225.....	Lamberton
Walnut, No. 136.....	Walnut Grove	Wabasso, No. 245.....	Wabasso
Tracy, No. 155.....	Tracy	Fides, No. 246.....	Sanborn
Zenith, No. 200.....	Springfield		

 TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

AMBROSE A. SNIDER (170), Fulda, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Prudence, No. 97.....	Windom	Murray, No. 199.....	Slayton
Fraternity, No. 101.....	Worthington	Columbian, No. 210.....	Heron Lake
Ben Franklin, No. 114.....	Luverne	Edgerton, No. 235.....	Edgerton
Currie, No. 142.....	Currie	Lake Wilson, No. 262.....	Lake Wilson
Fulda, No. 170.....	Fulda	Onyx, No. 266.....	Westbrook
Roman Eagle, No. 175.....	Adrian		

 TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

A. O. EBERHART (12), Mankato, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Mankato, No. 12.....	Mankato	Bethel, No. 103.....	Lake Crystal
Madelia, No. 66.....	Madelia	Josephus, No. 128.....	Mapleton
Joppa, No. 76.....	Good Thunder	Amboy, No. 193.....	Amboy
Libanus, No. 96.....	St. James	Vernon Center, No. 228.....	Vernon Center

 TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

A. A. HORTON (64), Fairmont, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Blue Earth Valley, No. 27.....	Win. City	King David, No. 179.....	Elmore
Blue Earth City, No. 57.....	Blue Earth	Magnolia, No. 231.....	Sherburn
Chain Lake, No. 64.....	Fairmont	Lakefield, No. 250.....	Lakefield
Doric, No. 87.....	Wells	Truth, No. 260.....	Bricelyn
Good Faith, No. 90.....	Jackson		

 TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

BERT L. BLAIR (32), Waterville, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Faribault, No. 9.....	Faribault	Cannon River, No. 52.....	Morristown
Sakatah, No. 32.....	Waterville	Corinthian, No. 67.....	Farmington
Oriental, No. 34.....	Cannon Falls	Elysian, No. 222.....	Elysian
Social, No. 48.....	Northfield		

 TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

L. A. HANES (26), Albert Lea, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Wilton, No. 24.....	Alma City	Tuscan, No. 77.....	Waseca
Western Star, No. 26.....	Albert Lea	Janesville, No. 124.....	Janesville
Star in the East, No. 33.....	Owatonna		

 TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

E. WOODBURY (41), Zumbrota, D. D. G. M.

Red Wing, No. 8.....	Red Wing	Hermion, No. 41.....	Zumbrota
Wapahasa, No. 14.....	Wabasha	Tyrian, No. 86.....	Mazeppa
Mystic Tie, No. 37.....	Pine Island	Kellogg, No. 122.....	Kellogg
Carnelian, No. 40.....	Lake City		

 TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

E. HENRY CATLIN (38), West Concord, D. D. G. M.

Mantorville, No. 11.....	Mantorville	Huram Abi, No. 83.....	Kasson
Rochester, No. 21.....	Rochester	Relief, No. 108.....	Dodge Center
Washington, No. 38.....	West Concord	Kenyon, No. 201.....	Kenyon

 THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

E. W. ROSSMAN (56), Chatfield, D. D. G. M.

Harmony, No. 43.....	Lewiston	Ashler, No. 61.....	Eyota
Evergren, No. 46.....	Clyde	Illustrious, No. 63.....	Plainview
Rising Sun, No. 49.....	St. Charles	Elgin, No. 115.....	Elgin
Meridian, No. 56.....	Chatfield		

 THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

WILLIAM TODD (39), Austin, D. D. G. M.

Fidelity, No. 39.....	Austin	Prairie, No. 123.....	Blooming Prairie
Lansing, No. 72.....	Lansing	Alma, No. 131.....	Lyle
Lafayette, No. 116.....	Brownsdale		

 THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

GEORGE M WARREN (58), Spring Valley, D. D. G. M.

Pleasant Grove, No. 22.....	Pleasant Grove	Grand Meadow, No. 121.....	Gr'd Meadow
Spring Valley, No. 58.....	Spring Valley	Stewartville, No. 208.....	Stewartville
Eureka, No. 75.....	Le Roy	Dexter, No. 253.....	Dexter
High Forest, No. 85.....	High Forest		

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

PETER HANSON (78), Houston, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Hokah, No. 17.....Hokah	Mystic Circle, No. 78.....Houston
Preston, No. 36.....Preston	Lebanon, No. 102.....Lanesboro
Mystic Star, No. 69.....Rushford	Canton, No. 194.....Canton

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

WM. H. HARRINGTON (110), Pickwick, D. . D. . G. . M. .

Winona, No. 18.....Winona	Morning Star, No. 29.....La Crescent
Caledonia, No. 20.....Caledonia	Pickwick, No. 110.....Pickwick

And the said District Deputy Grand Masters are authorized to perform the duties and exercise the powers pertaining to said office, within their respective districts, until the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge of A. . F. . & A. . M. . of Minnesota, unless otherwise ordered.

Dated this 16th day of February, A. D. 1906, A. . L. . 5906.

THOMAS MORRIS,
Grand Master

Attest:

THOMAS MONTGOMERY,
Grand Secretary.

APPENDIX H.

GRAND MASTERS AND GRAND SECRETARIES, FEBRUARY, 1906.

GRAND LODGE. (English Speaking)	NAME OF GRAND MASTER.	ADDRESS.	NAME OF GRAND SECRETARY.	ADDRESS.
Alabama	Henry H. Matthews..	Montgomery.	Geo. A. Beauchamp	Montgomery.
Alberta	O. W. Kealy.....	Medicine Hat..	J. J. Dunlap	Edmonton.
Arizona	Edward S. Miller	Flagstaff	G. J. Roskrug.....	Tucson.
Arkansas	Antonio B. Grace	Pine Bluff	Fay Hempstead	Little Rock.
Brit. Columbia.	T. J. Armstrong	New Westminster	R. E. Brett	Victoria.
California	Motley H. Flint	Los Angeles.....	Geo. Johnson.....	San Francisco.
Canada	James H. Burritt	Pembroke.....	Hugh Murray	Hamilton, Ont.
Colorado	Arthur E. Jones	Denver.....	Chas. H. Jacobson..	Denver.
Connecticut	Asa P. Fitch.....	Hartford.....	J. H. Barlow.....	Hartford.
Delaware	Levin I. Handy	Newark	B. F. Bartram	Wilmington.
Dist. of Col.	Walter A. Brown	Washington.....	A. W. Johnston	Washington.
England	Duke of Connaught.	London.....	Edw. Letchworth.	London.
Florida	Chas. W. Johnson	Jacksonville	W. P. Webster	Jacksonville.
Georgia	Max Meyerhardt	Rome.....	W. A. Wolhlin	Macon.
Idaho	J. W. Robinson	Boise	T. W. Randall	Boise.
Illinois	C. E. Allen	Galesburg	J. H. C. Dill	Bloomington.
Indiana	Alfred W. Emery	Evansville.....	C. W. Prather	Indianapolis.
Indian Ter.	Richard W. Choate	Haileyville.....	J. S. Murrow	Atoka.
Iowa	Wm. H. Norris	Manchester	Newton R. Parvin..	Cedar Rapids.
Ireland	Duke of Abercorn.....	Dublin.....	H. E. Flavelle, dep.	Dublin.
Kansas	Samuel R. Peters	Newton	A. K. Wilson	Topeka.
Kentucky	James Garnett	Columbia	H. B. Grant	Louisville.
Louisiana	L. P. Delahoussaye	New Orleans.....	Richard Lambert	New Orleans.
Maine	Hugh R. Chaplin	Bangor	Stephen Berry	Portland.
Manitoba	Wm. G. Scott	Winnipeg	James A. Ovas	Winnipeg.
Maryland	Thos. J. Shryock.....	Baltimore	Wm. M. Isaac	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.	Baalis Sanford.....	Brockton	S. D. Nickerson	Boston.
Michigan	John Rawson	Grand Rapids..	Lou B. Winsor.....	Reed City.
Minnesota	Thomas Morris	Crookston	Thos. Montgomery	St. Paul.
Mississippi	Thos. B. Franklin	Columbus	Frederic Speed.....	Vicksburg.
Missouri	A. S. Houston	Mexico	Jno. R. Parson.....	St. Louis.
Montana	Lew L. Callaway	Virginia City	Cornelius Hedges..	Helena.
Nebraska	M. R. Hopewell	Tokamah	F. E. White	Omaha.
Nevada	Chas. A. Beemer	Sparks	C. N. Noteware	Carson City.
N. Brunswick.	Edwin J. Everett	Saint John.....	J. T. Hart.....	St. John.
N. Hampshire.	Ira A. Chase	Bristol	F. D. Woodbury	Concord.
New Jersey	B. F. Wakefield	Passaic	T. H. R. Redway	Trenton.
New Mexico	James G. Fitch	Sarocco	A. A. Keen	Albuquerque.
N. So. Wales	H. H. Rawson (Gov.)	Sydney	A. E. Bray.....	Sidney.
New York	Frank H. Robinson..	Homersville	E. M. L. Ehlers	New York.
New Zealand	H. J. Williams	Wellington.....	Malcolm Niccol	Wellington.
North Carolina.	W. S. Liddell	Charlotte	J. C. Drewry	Raleigh.
North Dakota.	Louis A. Jacobson	Hope	F. J. Thompson	Fargo.
Nova Scotia.....	Charles K. Smith.....	Amherst	Thos. Mowbray	Halifax.
Ohio	Louis P. Schaus	Newark	J. H. Bromwell	Cincinnati.
Oklahoma	Geo. H. Phillips	Pawnee	J. S. Hunt	Guthrie.
Oregon	W. H. Flanagan	Grant's Pass	J. F. Robinson	Eugene.
Pennsylvania	Geo. W. Kendrick, Jr.	Philadelphia.....	W. A. Sinn	Philadelphia.
P. Edw. Island.	Charles H. S. Sterns..	Souris	N. MacKelvie	Summerside.
Quebec	David A. Manson	Mansonville	Will H. Whyte	Montreal.
Queensland.....	George S. Hutton	Brisbane	Chas. H. Harley	Brisbane.
Rhode Island.....	Joseph W. Freeman	Central Falls	S. P. Williams	Providence.
Scotland	Chas. M. Ramsey	Edinburgh.....	David Reid	Edinburgh.
S. Australia	Samuel J. Way	Adelaide	J. H. Cunningham.	Adelaide.
So. Carolina	Frank E. Harrison	Abbeville	Chas. Inglesby	Charleston.
South Dakota	Edgar D. Brookman	Vermillion	G. A. Pettigrew	Sioux Falls.
Tasmania	C. E. Davies	Hobart	John Hamilton	Hobart.
Tennessee	James W. Irwin	Savannah	J. B. Garrett	Nashville.
Texas	S. M. Bradley	Deuton	John Watson	Waco.
Utah	Chas. S. Varian	Salt Lake City..	Christopher Diehl..	Salt Lake City.
Vermont	Walter E. Ranger	Burlington.....	Henry H. Ross	Burlington.
Victoria	Dr. W. Balls-Headley	Melbourne.....	John Brain	Melbourne.
Virginia	Thos. N. Davis	Lynchburg	G. W. Carrington	Richmond.
Washington.....	Abraham L. Miller	Vancouver	T. M. Reed	Olympia.
W. Australia	J. W. Hackett	Perth	J. D. Stevenson	Perth.
West Virginia	Geo. W. McClintic	Charleston	G. W. Atkinson	Charleston.
Wisconsin	Jesse C. Bradley	Milwaukee	W. W. Perry	Milwaukee.
Wyoming	M. R. Johnston	Wheatland	W. L. Kuykendall ..	Saratoga.

APPENDIX I.

REPRESENTATIVES OF GRAND LODGES.

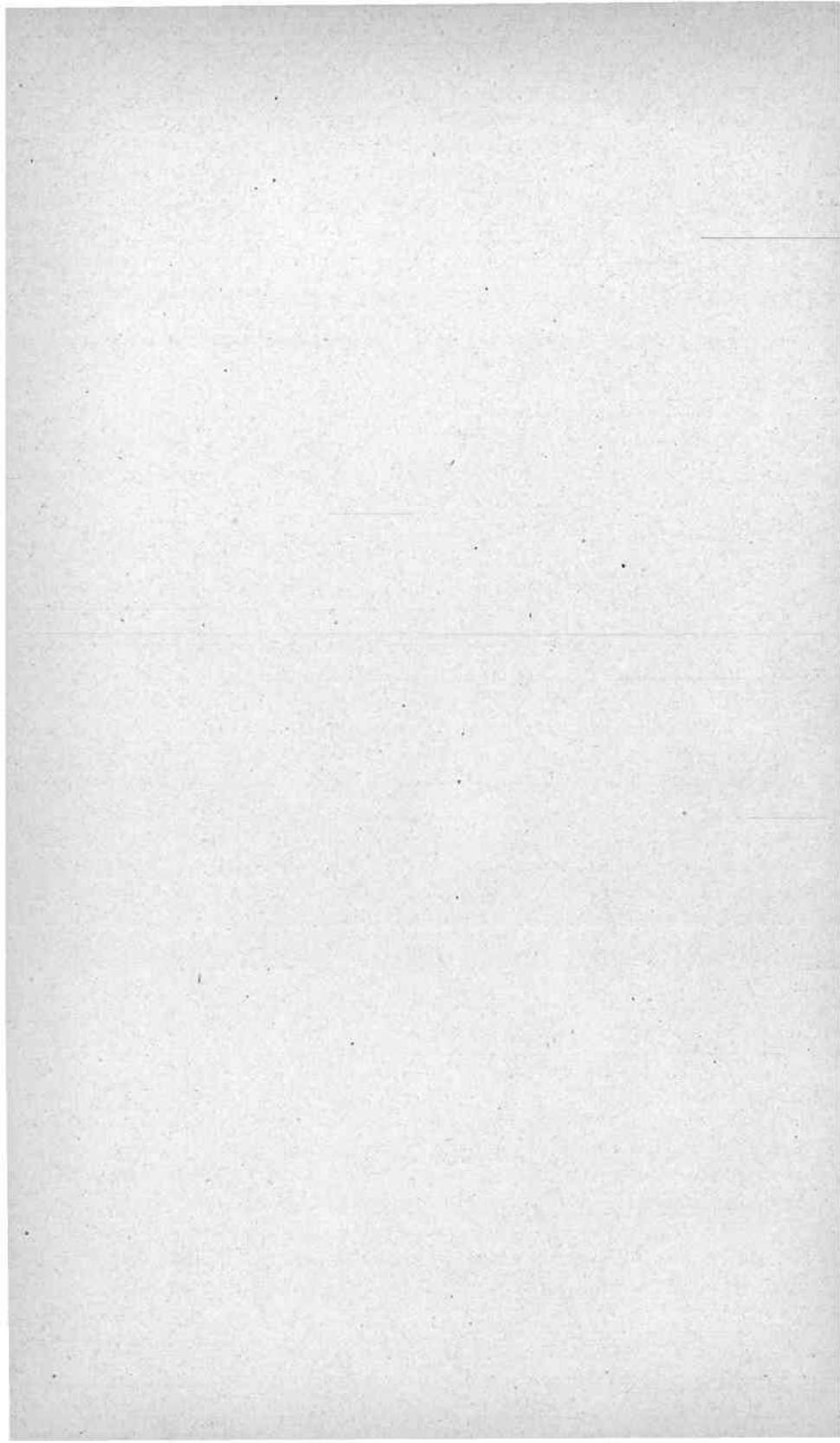
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Name.	Residence.	State.	Name.	Residence.
Angus M. Scott.....	Headland.....	Alabama.....	A. Brandenburg.....	Fergus Falls.
G. H. N. Luhrs.....	Phoenix.....	Arizona.....	W. C. Masterman....	Stillwater.
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Albert Kruger.....	Antwerp.....	Belgium.....	A. Brandenburg.....	Fergus Falls.
Chas. E. Tisdall.....	Vancouver.....	Brit. Columbia..	Wm. A. Nolan.....	Gr'd Meadow.
A. A. Stevenson.....	Montreal.....	Canada.....	E. W. Durant.....	Stillwater.
Henry M. Teller.....	Central City....	Colorado.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
Edmund Tweedy.....	Danbury.....	Connecticut....	Chas. Griswold.....	N. St. Paul.
Carlos D. Scott.....	Havana.....	Cuba.....	E. E. Swan.....	Stewart.
Chas. C. King.....	Newark.....	Delaware.....	Henry R. Denny.....	St. Paul.
C. W. Hancock.....	Washington.....	Dist. Columbia..	J. D. Markham.....	Rush City.
J. W. Laurie, M. P. ....	.....	England.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
.....	.....	Florida.....	Wm. P. Roberts.....	Minneapolis.
J. L. Gilmer.....	Lela.....	Georgia.....	Wm. B. Patton.....	Duluth.
Reese Pickering.....	Genesee.....	Idaho.....	Gustaf Widell.....	Mankato.
Wm. Johnston.....	Chicago.....	Illinois.....	A. T. Stebbins.....	Rochester.
O. W. Brownback....	Pendleton.....	Indiana.....	Wm. S. Combs.....	St. Paul.
F. H. Nash.....	Fort Gibson....	Indian Territory	John M. Rowley.....	Rochester.
Oliver Fry.....	Dublin.....	Ireland.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
John C. Fry.....	Larned.....	Kansas.....	Calvin L. Brown....	Morris.
L. L. Shwartz.....	New Orleans....	Louisiana.....	Chas. W. Nash.....	Minneapolis.
John B. Redman.....	Ellsworth.....	Maine.....	Henry R. Adams.....	Minneapolis.
Thos. W. Taylor.....	Winnipeg.....	Manitoba.....	H. C. Shepard.....	Indianapolis.
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John Woodruff.....	Niles.....	Michigan.....	A. Brandenburg.....	Fergus Falls.
W. R. Montgomery....	Cornersville....	Mississippi.....	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
Howard Watson.....	St. Louis.....	Missouri.....	W. A. McGonagle....	Duluth.
Theo. Brantly.....	Helena.....	Montana.....	A. D. Countryman....	Appleton.
Geo. A. Beecher.....	Kearney.....	Nebraska.....	A. G. Pinkham.....	Owatonna.
R. A. Bulmer.....	Virginia.....	Nevada.....	A. Marden.....	New Ulm.
Thos. Walker, M. D. ..	St. John.....	New Brunswick..	Thos. Morris.....	Crookston.
A. S. Batchellor.....	Littleton.....	New Hampshire..	John H. Sprout.....	Blue Earth.
Edwin Venable.....	Long Branch....	New Jersey.....	Dav. W. Knowlton...	Minneapolis.
Arthur Boyle.....	Santa Fe.....	New Mexico.....	Chas. G. Hinds.....	Shakopee.
A. J. Scott.....	Sydney.....	New S. Wales....	H. M. Tusler.....	St. Paul.
John S. Denton.....	Jamaica.....	New York.....	Wm. C. Odell.....	Chaska.
Thos. A. Peterkin.....	Westport.....	New Zealand....	E. F. Barrett.....	Le Sueur.
F. D. Winston.....	Windsor.....	North Carolina..	I. B. B. Sprague....	St. Paul.
Wm. H. Campbell.....	Kenmare.....	North Dakota....	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
Charles R. Barr.....	Digby.....	Nova Scotia.....	John Liddell.....	Wadena.
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J. C. Champlin.....	Block Island....	Rhode Island....	Henry R. Adams.....	Minneapolis.
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J. W. Ardrey.....	Fort Mill.....	South Carolina..	Irving Todd.....	Hastings.
O. C. Berg.....	Redfield.....	South Dakota....	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
.....	.....	Tasmania.....	Chas. W. Sties.....	Lake Benton.
M. R. Goans.....	Loudon.....	Tennessee.....	H. M. Tusler.....	St. Paul.
.....	.....	Texas.....	Wm. A. Hawkins.....	Marshall.
Geo. Wm. Luft.....	Mercur.....	Utah.....	Henry M. Tusler....	St. Paul.
Edwin Wheelock.....	Cambridge.....	Vermont.....	Sam'l E. Adams.....	Minneapolis.
Dr. E. Hinchcliffe....	Bendigo.....	Victoria.....	Chas. N. Akers.....	St. Paul.
Wm. H. Pleasants....	Hollins.....	Virginia.....	Edgar Nash.....	Minneapolis.
Joseph A. Kuhn.....	Pt. Townsend....	Washington.....	Thomas Morris.....	Crookston.
R. D. McKenzie.....	Kalgoorlie.....	W. Australia....	W. A. McGonagle....	Duluth.
John D. Baines.....	Charleston....	West Virginia...	Chas. L. West.....	Austin.
W. W. Perry.....	Madison.....	Wisconsin.....	Geo. H. Davis.....	Faribault.

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APPENDIX K.

To the M. . W. . Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your committee on foreign correspondence has received and examined the following grand lodge proceedings:

ALABAMA, 1904.

The eighty-fourth annual communication was held at Montgomery, Dec. 6th and 7th, M. . W. . R. J. Redden, Grand Master. Three hundred and thirty-three lodges represented; four hundred and one on the roll. Four past grand masters and our representative present.

Seventeen dispensations for new lodges; three lodges reinstated; one dispensation arrested and one surrendered. Membership fifteen thousand, three hundred, and ninety-three; gain ten hundred and fifty-three. Receipts \$7,385.

The protrait is missing from our copy.

The sixteen decisions were purely local.

The Grand Lodge of Western Australia was recognized and several other applications deferred; a proposed constitutional amendment admitting artificial limbs to eligibility was declared lost for want of a two-thirds majority; fifteen charters were granted and nine dispensations continued; a resolution was adopted urging the craft to use their influence for the upbuilding of the common schools; a second edition of the manual was ordered printed; a collection of \$158.88 was taken for the widow of a master mason; an edict was adopted permitting the selection of a

master who had not previously served as warden, in case of a new lodge only; volunteers were called upon for a crusade of education in favor of a masonic home; the co-operation of other grand lodges was asked for the observance of the two hundredth anniversary of Benjamin Franklin's birthday, Jan. 17th, 1906; and a suitable testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master.

Bro. W. Y. Titcomb submitted his usual well written report on foreign correspondence, with over five pages allotted to Minnesota, from which we quote:

The address of Grand Master Adams marks its author as a true mason, actuated by the ennobling principles of our fraternity.

Grand Orator W. Bro. J. C. Bennett delivered a fine address, eliciting the expressions that he held "his audience spellbound for over half an hour." And he was requested to furnish the same for publication in the proceedings. Said address is replete with wholesome truths, clothed in choice diction.

The grand secretary made an excellent, methodical report.

A lengthy and exhaustive report was made by the committee on masonic home.

We are glad to see that the accomplished Bro. Irving Todd still wields the pen reportorial. That pen could not be placed in better hands. As chairman of the committee on correspondence he furnishes a fine report on the proceedings of fifty-seven grand bodies, in a review covering one hundred pages of printed matter. Alabama gets nearly three pages of fraternal notice, half of which is generously given the writer. Bro. Todd is entitled to and will please accept our grateful acknowledgment of his consideration.

Bro. Titcomb holds that a master mason should wear his apron with the left corner tucked under; that there should be no difference in the shape of the white and black balls; that Bro. W. A. Davies, of California, fills the bill in every particular as grand secretary, but forgets to add of the grand chapter; that senior grand warden, etc., is the proper title of grand lodge officers; that the misuse of the white ball does the craft more harm than the misuse of the black ball; that Mexican masonry should be severely let alone, at least for the present; that political methods in the lodge and grand lodge should be choked out with a strong grip; that

a masonic home should be under the supervision and absolute control of the grand lodge; that a lodge with all its obligations fully met has a right to use the surplus funds according to its own judgment; that many thousands of dollars have been saved to the fraternity through the agency of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada; that the corner stone of a church should not be laid on Sunday, even if requested by the proper authorities; that a cocoanut to a goober, or a hippopotamus to a muskrat, are fair odds in speculating upon the outcome of sundry masonic propositions; that there is little use in deferring an objection until after the degree has been conferred; that an expelled mason cannot be shoved back into a lodge without destroying its harmony; that a masonic hall should not be used for other than masonic purposes; that the proper place to stop an applicant is outside the door, and not after he has taken one or more degrees; that masonic residence is where exists permanently the family fireside; that the mystic shrine is not masonry, and should be excluded from masonic halls; that it is a good law which prohibits the holding of masonic fairs; and that the display of a flag in the lodge room is an objectionable innovation. In much of the above we heartily concur.

As to wearing the apron, Alabama and Minnesota are in accord with a majority of the American grand lodges in their teachings, although originally the writer believes that it was the fellow craft who wore his with the corner turned up. There is a tradition that the change occurred in the printing of a manual years ago, when by accident plates of the second and third degrees were transposed, and rather than throw the edition away they were allowed to stand as authority. This is not given as history, for we have no time to verify the statement and have forgotten its source. The final instruction, that for convenience, etc., always seemed to us as rank nonsense.

M. W. H. H. Matthews, Grand Master; R. W. G. A. Beauchamp re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Mont-

gomery. Bro. W. Y. Titcomb, Anniston, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

ARIZONA 1904.

The twenty-third annual communication was held at Tucson, Nov. 15th, 16th, and 17th, M. W. J. S. Cromb, Grand Master. Seventeen lodges represented; eighteen on the roll. Ten past grand masters present.

Membership eleven hundred and ninety-one; gain sixty-eight. Receipts \$1,625.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

There is nothing in the address or decisions of more than local interest.

A charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the recommendation of the grand master that intoxicating liquors be prohibited at lodge banquets was reported on adversely by the jurisprudence committee; the finance committee recommended that the printing of the report of the committee on foreign correspondence be discontinued in the future, which we are sorry to say was concurred in; thanks were tendered the local brethren and people generally for their uniform kindness and attention; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. C. D. Belden sent in his fourth and last report on correspondence, not being present on account of the serious illness of his wife. Six pages are given to Minnesota, in which will be found the following fraternal mention:

For the past two years I had the pleasure of recording the fact that R. W. Bro. T. J. Lombard was faithfully discharging the duties of grand representative for Arizona. This year I do not find him in evidence, and, upon looking up the matter, I am surprised to see that in neither Minnesota's volumes nor in Arizona's is there any record of a grand representative for either of our grand jurisdictions on the printed lists. How is this?

Grand Master Adams opens his annual address with this verse:
* * * He gives a page or more of rich thought in praise of free masonry.

A committee was appointed to investigate this subject (masonic home) and present their conclusions at this session. Their report is

an admirable one, giving a short sketch of the several already established grand lodge masonic homes. I append a condensed statement of their gleanings.

W. Bro. J. C. Bennett, grand orator, delivered a magnificent oration. It was a thrilling and elevating appeal to his brethren to live as masons should live. He drew many a picture of the emptiness of wealth and political grandeur, when selfish in their possession. Among others he spoke of Tiberius and of Alexander, who had attained the acme of worldly possessions, and yet were dissatisfied and tired of life. He speaks of the Declaration of Independence as "the greatest social conception ever formed by human mind," and he closes with a beautiful peroration.

The correspondence report is again, as usual, by W. Bro. Irving Todd. He has this year rounded up in an even one hundred pages, of which Arizona for 1902 has three, far beyond her proportion. We are kindly dealt with, a fair portion of our session is given, and almost my entire review is reproduced. My criticism of those holding more than one grand representativeness I must acknowledge as fairly applicable to those of my own jurisdiction as to those of Minnesota, and I would that Bro. Roskrige and each of the others holding more than one would select one they prefer to hold and let go of the others. I can very well understand how it was that these appointments were doubled up. When our grand lodge was formed there were hardly a sufficient number of brethren to comfortably fill all the official stations, and those of broad shoulders and willing hearts undertook more than any one should be required to do. And ever since that time there has not arisen any great number of those either fit or able to act, but there are enough to have the honors and duties passed around. The only reason why Bro. Roskrige has not rectified this is that he has not had time. He would have to take some of the time he must devote to one of the half dozen secretaryships, or more, he so well fills. He has about everything masonic in Arizona to look after. But let me assure you he has and will keep most everything as exact as it is possible for a man to do it.

In my reference to the elapsing time between the act of their grand lodge and the time when the committee acted I surely made an error, taking 1901 for 1891, and therefore my eleven should read but one.

Bro. Belden is also in error in reference to their representative near this grand lodge. Bro. Lombard has been in poor health for a long time, but was present at our sessions in 1903, and his name is still borne upon the list from Arizona, with Bro. G. H. N. Luhrs from Minnesota, although

their names have never appeared in the official list of representatives found in any of the Arizona pamphlets. Bro. Luhrs was recorded in 1903 as representative of Arizona Lodge, but not as one of the grand representatives present. If he has resigned Bro. Montgomery does not appear to be aware of the fact, nor Bro. Roskrue of his appointment.

Bro. Belden thinks that the expenditure for entertainments may be safely left to the discretion of the lodge; that there would be aught other than glory if the list of past officials included the names of every member; that he does not break any obligations when assisting in the making of an official cipher for legitimate purposes; that the past master's degree should be abolished in connection with a lodge; that there must be something more in the grand representative system than a name; that perpetual jurisdiction should not be perpetual punishment; that volumes of proceedings sometimes relate things as we would have them, rather than as they actually occurred; and that the proper use of liquor is one of the great blessings of our existence.

M. W. George Shand, Grand Master; V. W. G. J. Roskrue reelected Grand Secretary; both of Tucson.

ARKANSAS 1904.

The sixty-second regular communication was held at Little Rock, Nov. 15th and 16th, M. W. J. T. Hicks, Grand Master. Three hundred and seventy-seven lodges represented; four hundred and sixty on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Fifteen dispensations for new lodges; two charters arrested and one restored. Membership sixteen thousand, one hundred, and fifty-five; gain in two years, three thousand, seven hundred and thirty-nine. Receipts for 1903, \$10,265.75; for 1904, \$10,029.80.

The death of Bro. G. E. Dodge, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, the grand master elect, the grand lecturer, and the deceased past grand master.

There are also views of the grand secretary's office, with the genial Fay Hempstead at his desk, and of the grand lodge hall.

The grand master frankly admitted that the edict of 1902, permitting the initiation of physically defective candidates, was a dangerous precedent, and recommended its repeal or modification. With the utmost caution he had been constrained to issue twenty-four dispensations under its provisions. However, no action seems to have been taken to rid their statute books of this pernicious legislation.

Six of the thirteen decisions grew out of their prohibition edict; telegrams of sympathy were forwarded to Bro. G. A. Dannelly, senior past grand master, and Bro. E. E. Bryant, senior grand warden, who were unable to be present; a reduction of \$15,000 was reported in the temple debt, with ample funds on hand to take up the remaining ten bonds when due; the name of Dry Creek Lodge was changed to Clover Bend; a donation of \$50 was made to their ranking past grand master; an interesting address was delivered by Bro. F. O. Butt, grand orator; a communication was received from the Grand Chapter O. E. S., tendering its assistance in establishing a masonic home; sixteen charters and one dispensation were granted, and one dispensation continued; an edict was adopted providing for the annual election of a board of control, and defining its duties; the Monitor prepared by Bro. George Thornburgh was approved and adopted as the standard work; the special committee on orphan's home was granted further time; fraternal recognition was extended to Brazil, Costa Rica, and the Valley of Mexico, and the applications of Queensland, Argentine Republic and Egypt deferred; the proposed donation of Pea Ridge College to the grand lodge was referred to a special committee; a contingent fund of \$400 was provided for the grand master; the edict requiring degree fees for the temple debt was repealed; an appropriation of \$100 per annum was made to the grand secretary for office assistance; an edict was adopted requiring lodges to insure their buildings; the Order of the Eastern Star was commended to the frater-

nity as worthy of their regard; an amendment to the constitution continuing the biennial sessions ten years longer was concurred in, and will be acted upon next year; a motion to reduce the mileage to four cents one way was lost; and the customary vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring grand master.

M. W. S. T. Rowe, Greenwood, Grand Master; R. W. Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, re-elected Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1905.

The thirty-fourth annual communication was held at New Westminster, June 22d and 23d, M. W. W. J. Bowser, Grand Master. Thirty-three lodges represented; thirty-six on the roll. Four past grand masters and our representative present.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership two thousand, eight hundred, and fifty-nine; gain two hundred and thirty-five. Receipts \$4,618.65.

The death of Bro. Simeon Duck, their second grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and two past grand masters.

There is nothing in the fourteen decisions of general interest; among the dispensations were ten to attend divine service in regalia, and three to wear regalia at a ball; the librarian reported a number of accessions, the bound volumes now numbering nine hundred and seventeen; recognition of Queensland, Brazil, and Porto Rico was deferred; \$1,500 was transferred to the charity fund, which amounts to \$13,268.99; two charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; and thanks were tendered the local brethren for their entertainment.

The report on foreign correspondence was again presented by Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith, the following paragraphs being taken from his fraternal review of Minnesota:

At the conclusion of the grand master's address the grand lodge listened to an oration by Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, which is an eloquent attempt to answer the question, *Why Are We Freemasons?*

The grand secretary, R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery, refers with pride to the membership register, which he designed himself. It is in book form, and the grand secretary thinks the plan on which it is arranged is superior to any other he has seen, not excepting the card system. It contains forty-two thousand names, and is, apparently, a copy of the returns made each year by the lodges. It is, no doubt, a very complete record, but has to be used in connection with an index, and for convenience of reference would, we think, be inferior to the card register.

The report on foreign correspondence is written by Bro. Irving Todd in his usual interesting style, and is a review of the doings of fifty-five grand lodges. Possessing an enviable faculty of condensation, Bro. Todd compresses his report into eighty pages, and leaves out nothing of interest, except his own opinions. The proceedings of British Columbia for 1904 are given nearly three pages of friendly notice.

Last year we asked Bro. Todd for some authority for his statement that the membership of the Grand Lodge of New York exceeded that of the Grand Lodge of England. This year he furnishes us with certain figures which are of no particular value, being, so far as the Grand Lodge of England is concerned, simply Bro. Todd's estimate of its membership.

Our grand lodge register is a copy of the several lodge registers, the additions and changes being made from the annual returns. Of course it has to have an index, and for that matter an index to a card register would often prove a great convenience.

The figures given Bro. Smith last year may not be of any great value in his estimation, but we had no hand in their making. Those from New York were taken from the rolls, and are unquestionably correct. Those from England were taken from their quarterly proceedings of Sept. 2d, 1903, developed in a discussion of a proposition to increase the number of grand steward's lodges from eighteen to thirty and are presumably based upon fifty members to a lodge, their nearest approach to statistics. When a grand lodge is able only to approximate the lodges of its obedience, nothing more definite can be expected. Accord-

ing to its own estimate the Grand Lodge of England has upwards of thirty thousand members less than the Grand Lodge of New York, and the latter is steadily gaining year by year.

Bro. Smith holds that there is no good reason, other than local law, why a lodge may not dispose of its property without the consent of the grand master or the grand lodge; that a lodge warrant is only convenient evidence that proper authority has been given; that it is not necessary for a grand representative to attend every session of the grand lodge to which he is accredited; that it is the right of any lodge to bury a member or sojourner with masonic honors; that a country doctor is as much entitled to the remission of fees as the minister; that the blue lodge is not the foundation, but the whole of masonry; that it is the duty of every mason to relieve such cases of distress as come to his notice, so far as his ability will permit; and that a national flag has no place in a masonic lodge room.

M.°. W.°. T. J. Armstrong, New Westminster, Grand Master; V.°. W.°. R. E. Brett, Victoria, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith, New Westminster, committee on foreign correspondence.

CALIFORNIA, 1904.

The fifty-fifth annual communication was held at San Francisco, Oct. 11th to 14th, M.°. W.°. C. W. Nutting, Grand Master. Two hundred and twenty-three lodges represented; two hundred and eighty-four on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership twenty-nine thousand, four hundred, and sixty-eight; gain two thousand, three hundred, and ninety. Receipts \$41,079.05.

The death of Bro. M. M. Estee, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a business like review of the past year, intelligently told in less than nine pages.

The following were among the approved decisions:

1. A junior warden was instructed by a lodge to prefer charges against a brother for unmasonic conduct. He was afterwards elected to and installed as senior warden of the lodge. Is he still the accuser and prosecutor in the case? The junior warden continued to be the accuser, notwithstanding his election and installation as senior warden.

2. Has a lodge the right to suspend a mentally incompetent brother? You have no right to suspend a brother who is mentally incompetent.

3. Must lodges under dispensation contribute their per capita to the masonic boards of relief? Lodges under dispensation are masonic lodges for all purposes, and under the same laws, rules, and regulations governing chartered lodges.

The first decision would not fit in well with Minnesota practice. With us the junior warden is only a medium through whom charges are officially presented to the lodge, the trial being conducted by a committee independent of that officer.

The reports of the home show one hundred and twenty-four inmates, with disbursements of \$38,959.19; of which \$11,030.55 were for new buildings and furnishing, heating, and lighting.

The annual reports of the boards of relief show that San Francisco expended \$15,057.08; Los Angeles, \$11,106.99; Oakland, \$1,735.95; San Diego, \$427.93; Sacramento, \$1,251.25; and Stockton, \$354.18. For cases from Minnesota the total disbursements were \$583.78, and refundments, \$426.80. Bro. H. L. Williams, of Summit Lodge No. 163, St. Paul, was buried at Los Angeles, June 7th.

The recommendation of the committee on grand master's address, that the custom of appointing grand representatives near other grand lodges be abolished as unnecessary, was unanimously adopted; a standing regulation was adopted authorizing the finance committee to set aside not exceeding \$300 annually for the purchase of a suitable testimonial for the retiring grand master; a telegram of sympathy was

forwarded to Bro. William Johnston, past grand master, at home sick; the petition of a lodge in Honolulu, to be transferred from the Supreme Council of France to the Grand Lodge of California, was deferred until next year; an eloquent address was delivered by Bro. A. J. Monroe, grand orator; charters were granted to the seven lodges under dispensation; a special committee was appointed to devise some plan for reducing the size of the printed proceedings, and report at the next session; a resolution was adopted extending fraternal sympathy to the masonic brethren of Mexico; a general regulation was adopted prohibiting the reading of names of committees on investigation, unless the disclosure is deemed necessary by the lodge; a special committee was appointed to consider the matter of building a new temple, the old one having become inadequate for the requirements of the fraternity; and a beautiful chest of silver was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on correspondence was again prepared by Bro. W. A. Davies, a well written paper. Of Minnesota he says:

A poetical quotation with a cordial and fraternal welcome was the grand master's introduction to the duties of the fifty-first annual communication. His opening words were poetically expressed, shadowed, perhaps, by the thoughts that were to follow under the head of necrology.

The grand orator, W. Bro. J. C. Bennett, delivered a most interesting oration; it interested and delighted the brethren, and they ordered it printed in the journal.

Bro. W. P. Roberts, chairman of the committee on masouic home, made a carefully prepared and exhaustive report so far as the history of the homes established could be had.

Bro. Irving Todd, as chairman of correspondence, this report. He reviews California for the administration of Grand Master W. S. Wells, for the year 1902. He mentions the oration of Grand Orator Hart as "able and eloquent," all of which we are willing to endorse. He seems to approve the disposal of the business before it by the grand lodge, and in a modest way hints at a blunder of our own, to which we must own up and promise not to do so again.

We regret to note by the number of the journal that the veteran mason and Grand Secretary Thomas Montgomery is not enjoying good health. Come west, Bro. Montgomery.

Upon the question of avouchment Bro. Davies writes:

There has been no time in the history of the Grand Lodge of California when a mason, of however high degree, could sit in chapter, council, or commandery unless he were a master mason in good standing; we were built upon the lines of dependent membership.

M.°. W.°. G. W. Hunter, Eureka, Grand Master; V.°. W.°. George Johnson, San Francisco, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. A. Davies, San Francisco, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

CANADA, 1905.

The fiftieth annual communication was held at Hamilton, July 19th and 20th, M.°. W.°. Benjamin Allen, Grand Master. Three hundred and forty-seven lodges represented; three hundred and eighty on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present, our representative heading the list.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership thirty-four thousand, nine hundred, and sixty-five; gain twenty-two hundred and fifty-seven. Receipts \$28,397.67.

The death of Bro. Kivas Tully, honorary past grand master, was announced. He was the last survivor of the committee of fourteen who perfected the union of the two grand lodges in 1857, and had been a mason since 1843.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The nine decisions are of merely local interest; the Grand Master of Michigan was welcomed among the visitors; an interesting historical address was delivered by Bro. J. R. Robertson, grand historian: five warrants were granted and five dispensations continued; the expenditures for benevolence were reported at \$13,940; the suspensions for unmasonic conduct were only three during the year, and three expulsions. The semi-centennial fund was announced at \$21,695.87, and the semi-centennial benevolent fund at \$20,596.37: the committee on fraternal dead submitted

another beautiful tribute to their memory; a grand concert was tendered by a regimental band the first evening, at which the grand master was presented with a loving cup by the local brethren; the revised constitution was submitted and adopted; nearly every one who had done anything during the session was thanked for his services; and the usual testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master.

Bro. Henry Robertson prepared his customary report on foreign correspondence, in which Minnesota for last year is briefly noticed.

M. W. J. H. Burritt, Pembroke, Grand Master; M. W. Hugh Murray, Hamilton, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. Henry Robertson, Collingwood, committee on foreign correspondence..

COLORADO, 1905.

The forty-fifth annual communication was held at Denver, Sept. 19th and 20th, M. W. B. L. James, Grand Master. The one hundred and seven lodges all represented. Twenty-four past grand masters present, our representative at the head of the list.

Membership ten thousand, nine hundred, and ninety-seven; gain four hundred and thirty-eight. Receipts \$11,828.42.

The death of Bro. O. A. Whittemore, their first grand secretary and past deputy grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and a past grand master.

The following is among the approved decisions, and a very good one:

1. Lodges doing work out of the regular order, by dispensation from the grand master at a special communication, should send notice of that communication, specifying in the notice the work that will be done.

The trustees reported that the benevolent fund had reached \$9,240.20; a very readable oration was delivered by Bro. G. W. Musser, grand orator; the proposition of the Grand Lodge of Alabama to properly observe the two hundredth anniversary of Bro. Benjamin Franklin's birthday was favorably considered; the proposed amendment to the constitution making all past masters permanent members of the grand lodge was very sensibly disapproved by the jurisprudence committee; an amendment was adopted permitting a brother suspended for non-payment of dues to reinstate himself by paying the amount due within three years; an advance of \$1,500 was made for the publication of the late Bro. H. P. H. Bromwell's book; a proposition to form a collegium of grand lecturers from at least five grand lodges was favorably reported upon by the custodians of the work, although the plan is hardly a practical one; the Monitor published by Bro. E. L. N. Foster was formally adopted as the official work of the jurisdiction; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. L. N. Greenleaf has attained his majority, the current report on correspondence being the twenty-first which he has prepared for that prosperous jurisdiction, and in which he says of Minnesota:

A portrait of Grand Master W. A. McGonagle appears as a frontispiece to the volume. His address is a concise and business like presentation of the affairs of that jurisdiction.

Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, grand orator, delivered a very able address, devoting careful analysis to the question, Why are We Masons?

Bro. Irving Todd presents a concise report on correspondence, and having got his condenser in good working order the proceedings of fifty-five grand lodges were epitomized within the limits of eighty pages. Colorado for 1904 is accorded two pages of his valuable space. The main features of Grand Master Killian's address are noted and the business of the session. Our report receives liberal notice.

In the appendix are published the proceedings of the twelfth and thirteenth annual reunions of the Masonic Veteran Association, which contain valuable historical data.

M. W. C. F. Painter, Telluride, Grand Master; R. W. C. H. Jacobson, Denver, re-elected Grand Secretary;

Bro. L. N. Greenleaf, Denver, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

CONNECTICUT, 1905.

The one hundred and seventeenth annual communication was held at New Haven, Jan. 18th and 19th, M. W. G. E. Parsons, Grand Master. One hundred and eight lodges represented; one hundred and ten on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership nineteen thousand, three hundred, and forty-six; gain two hundred and ninety-nine. Receipts \$14,396.

The portraits are of the grand master and a past grand master. There is also a cut of the masonic hall at Monroe, recently dedicated.

There is nothing of special interest in the address, other than the following pertaining to the order of the Eastern Star:

This organization of the women of our household is earnestly working side by side with us for the welfare of the home and the comfort and pleasure of its inmates. They have shown by their works that they are entitled to our consideration and respect, and have truly earned the title of "sister." I believe that their hands should be upheld in the noble work in which they are engaged, and that they should receive our support and encouragement so far as is possible. I take this occasion to thank them sincerely for the assistance and courtesies extended during my administration.

Sympathies were extended to two distinguished brethren, not present by reason of illness; the expenses of the grand master, deputy grand master, and grand secretary were ordered paid when making official visits; the entered apprentice degree was conferred by the past grand masters; the matter of preparing an official ritual was referred to a special committee, to report next year; the two lodges not represented were requested to show cause at the next annual communication; a jewel and apron were presented to the retiring grand master; and the reports of the home

show sixty-five inmates, maintenance \$13,150.74.

The grand secretary submitted his usual able report on masonic correspondence, from which the following extracts are taken :

The portrait of Bro. H. R. Adams, the retiring grand master, adorns the proceedings.

A full and interesting report of the committee on masonic home is presented with a vast amount of valuable information, gathered from the experience of the homes already established, is contained in this report which occupies sixteen pages of the proceedings, and is worthy of careful study.

A learned oration was delivered by the grand orator, Bro. J. C. Bennett.

The usual carefully prepared report on correspondence is presented by Bro. Irving Todd, past grand master. Connecticut is kindly noticed.

Had the words district deputy been inserted in the above title we would have been compelled to plead guilty.

Bro. Barlow maintains that a lodge might be required to levy a special assessment against its members in self preservation; that the life membership system in Connecticut exempts about twenty-five per cent from the payment of dues, and ought to be repealed; that attendance upon masonic funerals is a solemn duty; that a grand master has prerogatives above the constitution and which it has no right to interfere with; that diplomas seem a necessity to prove that the visitor belongs to a lawful lodge; that if there is any lesson forcibly taught in the ceremonies of the master degree it is the resurrection of the body and the immortality of the soul; that the lodge charter is an indispensable article of furniture, like the Holy Bible, square, and compass; and that a brother should not be denied funeral honors when cremated.

M. W. A. P. Fitch, Grand Master; M. W. J. H. Barlow re-elected Grand Secretary, and continued as committee on masonic correspondence; both of Hartford.

DELAWARE, 1905.

The one hundredth annual communication was held at Wilmington, Oct. 4th and 5th, M.: W.: R. H. Young, Grand Master. Twenty-two lodges on the roll. Eleven past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership twenty-six hundred and sixty-eight; gain sixty-six. Receipts \$1,656.60.

The death of Bro. J. S. Dobb, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the late past grand master.

Eight local decisions were handed down, the following being a reiteration of a previous ruling:

1. A candidate having been elected in a lodge and being temporarily located in another jurisdiction cannot receive his first degree in another lodge.

A majority of our grand lodges permit work to be done anywhere, at the request of the lodge in which the candidate was elected. There are several exceptions, however, Delaware being among the number.

A foot note on the cover states that the error in numbering their annual communication had finally been corrected, making this the one hundredth instead of the ninety-ninth. The grand lodge was organized June 7th, 1806.

Several distinguished brethren from New Jersey and Pennsylvania were formally welcomed as visitors; the usual dinners were furnished by the grand tyler; the receipts for the centennial celebration of next year amount to \$654.75, which should give them a good blowout; the grand charity fund has reached \$1,810.06, and the reserve fund \$2,327.98; a keystone taken from the quarry of King Solomon's Temple at Jerusalem was presented by the Rt. Rev. Leighton Coleman, bishop of the diocese, and a master's pedestal and sprig of acacia, used by Hiram Lodge No. 6 a hundred years ago, by Bro. J. S. Grohe; samples of oratory

were produced for inspection by the visiting brethren, which passed the overseer's square; a programme was adopted for the centennial anniversary, and the committee authorized to draw upon the reserve fund, if found necessary; a committee was appointed to formulate an installation service and report next year; the funeral of their deceased past grand master was attended in a body; a special committee was appointed to procure a flag for the grand lodge; it would not require a very large one to cover the entire jurisdiction at high water; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was presented as usual by Bro. L. H. Jackson, who finds space for a two page review of Minnesota, in which he says among other things:

Among decisions we find the following in answer to the question, "Is a brother stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues, and a suicide, entitled to masonic burial?" Answer, "The brother may receive masonic burial by courtesy of your lodge." That is a fine exemplification of true masonic charity. We hope the lodge granted it.

We are exceeding our allowed space, but must not fail to notice briefly an unusually attractive and instructive oration by Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, of St. Paul, on *The Heart of Masonry—Free Masonry*. The following paragraph is very impressive: * * *

Bro. Irving Todd, for the committee, made the usual interesting report on correspondence. Delaware for 1904 receives due fraternal notice.

The Masonic Veteran Association reported two annual reunions, twelfth and thirteenth, with interesting accounts of good work done.

M. W. L. I. Handy, Newark, Grand Master; R. W. B. F. Bartram, Wilmington, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. H. Jackson, Wilmington, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1904.

The ninety-fourth annual communication was held at Washington, Dec. 21st, M. W. J. A. Wetmore, Grand

Master. The twenty-six lodges all represented. Twelve past grand masters present, our representative absent.

Membership seven thousand, three hundred, and sixty-five; gain three hundred and one. Receipts \$6,898.50.

The deaths of Bro. Malcolm Seaton, past grand master, and Bro. C. B. Smith, grand chaplain for the past twenty-three years, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a formidable document of sixty pages, half of which might have been omitted without any great loss.

The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized, and the request of the Grand Lodge of Queensland deferred; the standing appropriation for the library was increased to \$100; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

In his report on foreign correspondence Bro. G. W. Baird gives Minnesota two pages of fraternal review, in which we find the following:

Of clandestine masons the grand master said: * * * We beg to invite the special attention of our membership to this most excellent advice from the Grand Master of Minnesota.

An exhaustive report on the subject of a masonic home was presented, statistics from other homes of great interest, and the experiences and necessities felt in those homes are fully expressed in the report. * * * The report presents, in a condensed form, so much information on the subject that we commend it to our readers. It is too long to be reproduced here.

The report on correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee, who has given his readers a concise synopsis of the doings of fifty-seven grand lodges, upon one hundred pages. He has courteously given the District of Columbia two pages, in which space he has mentioned the salient points.

M. W. L. R. Ginn, Grand Master; R. W. A. W. Johnston re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. G. W. Baird, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Washington.

FLORIDA, 1905.

The seventy-sixth annual communication was held at Jacksonville, Jan. 17th, 18th, and 19th, M.: W.: T. M. Puleston, Grand Master. One hundred and forty lodges represented; one hundred and fifty-three on the roll. Eight past grand masters present, our representative included.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership six thousand and nineteen; gain five hundred and ninety. Receipts \$6,628.45.

The deaths of Bro. O. H. Dorsett, grand tyler, and Bro. W. F. Bynum, past grand master, were announced.

The portrait is that of the past grand master.

The address is purely local, with only one decision reported.

Regrets were extended to a past grand master at home sick; the temple was reported free from debt, with \$1,140.98 cash on hand; the corner stone of the home for the aged was laid; the committee on masonic home reported a cash balance of \$5,273.90 and a large number of unpaid subscriptions; their seventy-fifth anniversary was duly observed, with an interesting programme and a valuable historical address by Bro. Samuel Pasco, past grand master; an extemporaneous oration was delivered by Bro. H. S. Yerger, grand orator, and not published; four charters were granted and two dispensations continued; a standing committee on masonic history was provided for, to report annually; the past master's degree was conferred on forty-five brethren; recognition of the Grand Orient of Brazil and the second grand lodge in Western Australia were denied, and the application of the Grand Lodge of Queensland deferred; a committee was appointed to compile the grand lodge laws and regulations; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; and a committee was appointed to investigate the work done by courtesy in other jurisdictions and report next year.

Bro. S. B. Wright fills two pages of his extended report on correspondence with a review of Minnesota, apparently commending the same with the exception of the exemplification of the third degree in costume, an innovation very far from meeting with general approval.

Bro. Wright is of the opinion that smoking during a business session or work is exceedingly bad taste, although he has apparently never visited a Mexican lodge; that it is proper for a grand master, while presiding, to express his views upon a pending proposition; that a lodge may meet in any safe, suitable place within its jurisdiction; that a grand master should have a two year term; that the original petition is very necessary in cases of invasion of jurisdiction, and should be preserved; that the writer, while an excellent historian, does not rank with the foremost masonic reviewers; that there is no reason why a lodge should not remit the fees of a worthy minister, overlooking the fundamental one of equality; that the influence of the Eastern Star for good exceeds that of the Shrine; and that attending divine service as a lodge is a masonic occasion.

M.°. W.°. C. W. Johnson, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. W. P. Webster re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Jacksonville; Bro. S. B. Wright, De Land, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

IDAHO, 1905.

The thirty-eight annual communication was held at Boise, Sept. 12th, 13th, and 14th, M.°. W.°. A. W. Gordon, Grand Master. Thirty lodges represented; thirty-five on the roll. Four past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge; one charter arrested and one surrendered. Membership two thousand and fifty-six; gain one hundred and two. Receipts \$11,114.55.

The death of Bro. G. L. Shoup, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

Nineteen local decisions were reported at considerable length; the grand secretary was directed to keep a bound set of the proceedings in a vault or safe in lieu of written minutes, the latter requirement being repealed; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; masonic communication with the Grand Lodge of New York was severed for an alleged invasion of territory two years ago, which still remains unexplained; the by-law obliging the grand secretary to keep explicit accounts of all moneys received and paid over by him was amended by striking out the words "an attested copy thereof;" the salary of the grand secretary was increased from \$600 to \$900; the committee on jurisprudence held that a conference of all the grand lecturers would not be worth the expense; a resolution was adopted requiring a master mason to pass an examination as to his proficiency within two months after receiving the degree; the grand treasurer and grand secretary were required to give new bonds in a surety company, the premiums to be paid out of the general fund; the local brethren and ladies of the Eastern Star were tendered a resolution of thanks for "the grand reception and elegant banquet;" it was the sense of the grand lodge that an objection to the initiation of a candidate must be made in open lodge, and recorded by the secretary; and the signet ring was turned over to the new incumbent.

An interesting report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. G. E. Knepper, in a style peculiarly his own. The following extracts are found under the head of Minnesota:

The grand master's address might more truthfully be called a report of his stewardship. He has told in a plain, straightforward way just what he did, and no more. For this reason it is mainly of local interest.

Bro. L. G. Hoffmann delivered an oration "upon the God-born theme of masonry." He explains that he is "almost the youngest craftsman among you." This is well. There is a bright future before him. He has a wonderful flow of words, but—

The correspondence report was written by Bro. Irving Todd. That is all that need be said. He is a caustic critic, but is certainly

a man of ideas, and expresses them well. In a few words he has told the whole story as he gleaned it from the grand lodge proceedings of Idaho. * * * In the above Bro. Todd apparently criticises our grand secretary, who is one of the most careful and painstaking secretaries in existence. This criticism should have been made upon the grand lodge by-laws, which compel Bro. Randall to make out his reports with minuteness and pettiness of detail.

Now that the aforesaid by-laws have been amended, it is presumed that six or eight pages of unnecessary details will be eliminated from future reports. Our good Bro. Randall is congratulated upon this great saving of time and expense, as well as the merited raise in salary.

Bro. Knepper maintains that it is a difficult matter to make people good through legislation; that if masonry is a religion, he has not yet discovered the fact; that the Grand Lodge of England is not always in the right, referring to affairs in Queensland; that the delivery of the charge depends upon the ability of the master, with or without the monitor; and that the grand representative system is doomed, but cannot be hurriedly legislated out of existence.

M. W. J. W. Robinson, Grand Master; R. W. T. W. Randall re-elected Grand Secretary, both of Boise; Bro. G. E. Knepper, Moscow, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

ILLINOIS, 1905.

The sixty-sixth annual communication was held at Chicago, Oct. 3d, 4th, and 5th, M. W. W. B. Wright, Grand Master. Seven hundred and twelve lodges represented; seven hundred and thirty-nine on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Eight dispensations for new lodges. Membership seventy-four thousand, seven hundred, and forty-one; gain three thousand, eight hundred, and sixty-one. Receipts \$44,674.20.

The death of Bro. J. C. Baker, past deputy grand master, was announced. He was one of the famous family of singers, so well known in the northwest forty or more years ago.

The portraits are of the grand master and five past grand masters, with cuts of the masonic home at Sullivan and the orphan's home at Chicago.

The following are among the twelve approved decisions:

1. The loss of sight in one eye, the other retaining the power of sight, does not of itself disqualify a candidate for the degrees in masonry.

5. The failure of a master to announce the report of an investigating committee does not affect the validity of the ballot regularly spread upon the petition of a candidate, whether it results in election or rejection of the candidate.

10. Cook's Standard Monitor and the Book of Ceremonials are the only books containing ritual and ceremonials authorized in Illinois. The use of keys and cyphers is a violation of masonic obligations, and ground for discipline.

The second ruling was turned down by the jurisprudence committee, which held that the ballot could not be regularly spread until the lodge had been informed as to the result of the investigation.

The following statement was made by the grand master:

Last year and the year before I laid the corner stones of several churches on Sunday, under the impression that Sunday was an appropriate day for such services. M. W. Bro. Cook protested that it was work, and should not be done on Sunday. I took the advice of the committee on jurisprudence, and, a majority concurring with the views of Bro. Cook, I desisted from laying the corner stones of any more churches on Sunday.

The reports of the home show thirty-three inmates and \$24,697.46 expenditures, of the orphans' home, seventy-six inmates and \$16,179.39 expenditures; a committee was appointed to wait upon a venerable brother at home sick; their representatives near New York and Michigan were received with grand honors; the committee on petitions rightfully held that the grand lodge had no power to restore

a charter arrested in 1898; an eloquent oration was delivered by Bro. Herbert Preston, grand orator; five charters were granted and four dispensations continued; \$18,000 was appropriated to the orphan's home, \$16,000 to the masonic home, and \$600 for the purchase of eight hundred additional copies of Bro. J. C. Smith's history; the expenditure of \$500 for new grand lodge clothing was approved; a lodge charter was revoked for failure to hold meetings; the revised grand lodge by-laws were still further amended and adopted, making sixty-six pages of appendix; other amendments were proposed, to be acted upon next year; no action was taken upon the application of the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico for recognition, but the Grand Lodge of Queensland was received into full fellowship; sympathy was extended to several brethren, absent by reason of illness; and the lodges were recommended to observe the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of Bro. Benjamin Franklin, Jan. 17th.

Bro. Joseph Robbins presented his usual report on masonic correspondence, curtailed some twenty pages, and full of interest from beginning to end. Minnesota is fraternally noticed in the following:

A fine portrait of the retiring grand master; W. A. McGonagle, graces the fly leaf of this volume.

The grand secretary, Thomas Montgomery, is now so widely known that the following from his report will interest many, and the rare pleasure of his experience chronicled in the last sentence calls for our congratulations: * * *

A florid and ambitious, but highly interesting oration with Freemasonry as its theme was delivered by the grand orator, L. G. Hoffmann, and finds a deserved place in the proceedings.

The committee on appeals and grievances found no appeal to determine and no grievance to consider, which indicates that when the millennium comes it will come from the north.

Past Grand Master E. W. Durant gave an interesting account of his recent visit to the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, and the grand lodge acknowledged the courtesies extended to him, by resolution.

The report on correspondence is another of those cameos for which Bro. Irving Todd has so long been justly noted. Illinois proceedings receive pleasant and comprehensive notice.

The proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota make a very attractive feature of the volume. They contain portraits of E. P. Capen and T. C. Clark, third and fourth presidents of the association, and of Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson, whose sweet, restful, meditative face more than justifies the affectionate regard in which her memory is held by her cotemporaries, the Minnesota Veterans. Several historical papers of great interest and value are here printed. One hundred and thirty-eight members sat down to the customary feast.

M. . W. . C. E. Allen, Galesburg, Grand Master; R. . W. . J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. Joseph Robbins, Quincy, committee on correspondence.

INDIANA, 1905.

The eighty-fourth annual meeting was held at Indianapolis, May 23d and 24th, M. . W. . G. E. Grimes, Grand Master. Five hundred and seventeen lodges represented; five hundred and twenty-three on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present, including our representative.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership forty-two thousand, six hundred, and twenty-seven; gain two thousand, eight hundred, and seventy-one. Receipts \$23,368.32.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

Nine local decisions were reported; six charters were granted and two dispensations continued; the proposition to create and maintain a grand charity fund was turned down by the committee on ways and means, which held that this duty was incumbent upon the lodges and individual masons; the jurisprudence committee decided that a memorial window in a church was not a legitimate use of lodge funds; the general regulations were amended so as to require unanimous consent of the lodges having concurrent jurisdiction for a waiver; recognition of the Grand

Lodge of Queensland was postponed until next year; the proposition of a brother to donate his farm for a masonic home was referred to a special committee to report at the next session; the grand secretary was voted two per cent of the rentals of the masonic temple for his services in caring for the property; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. Daniel McDonald submitted his annual review of grand lodge proceedings, with the following comments upon our last session:

According to that decision the applicant may sign a petition before he is twenty-one years old, the requirement being that he must be twenty-one years old before it "is read for the first time in the lodge." The recent Indiana decision provides that a petition may be received by a lodge from a candidate twenty-eight days before he is twenty-one years old, but the regulations require that the candidate cannot be initiated until he is of lawful age. We do not believe, however, that this is a question of very much importance, as it is extremely rare that a case of this kind is ever presented to a lodge, and when it is it is a matter for the lodge itself to determine whether it shall be received or rejected.

In another decision the grand master holds that a brother stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues, and a suicide, is entitled to masonic burial by courtesy of the lodge. This may be all right, but it has always seemed to me that even masonic courtesy does not contemplate masonic burial under such circumstances. The funeral ceremonies performed over the grave of a deceased brother is the highest honor that can be paid him, and these ceremonies contemplate that the deceased shall have so conducted himself during his life as to be worthy of them. Therefore, the question arises is a brother suspended for non-payment of dues and a suicide worthy of these honors?

Bro. L. G. Hoffmann delivered an oration, which is published as an appendix to the proceedings.

The review of the proceedings of other grand lodges, eighty pages, was prepared by Bro. Irving Todd. He reviews briefly Indiana, 1904, without comment.

The last decision is not correctly stated. The grand master did not hold that the brother was entitled to anything, only that he might be buried by courtesy of the lodge. This is in line with previous rulings of thirty years'

standing, and a matter usually left to the discretion of the lodge immediately concerned.

Bro. McDonald holds that the solemnity and importance of the ceremonies cannot be impressed on a candidate if a degree is conferred on more than one at a time, and that there is no place where levity may properly be indulged in; that the proper method of voting upon a petition for restoration is by ballot; that a man could be a very good sort of a mason if there was no such thing as a lambskin apron with one corner tucked up; that a grand master has no lawful right to issue a dispensation for the reception of a petitioner after the test oath and responses to the necessary interrogatories taking a preacher into the fraternity free of charge; that a petition at a called meeting; that there is no good reason for a petition being sufficient for the admission of a visitor under ordinary circumstances; that a grand lodge has no right to interfere in the fixing of the amount of lodge dues or the length of service as master; that the Pennsylvania edict prohibiting music during degree work is arbitrary and unnecessary; that the official degree of past master has become firmly grafted on the ancient-craft system, and will doubtless remain there until the end of time; that a committee should not beg leave to report, when it is appointed to make one; and that the custom of authorizing a brother to cast an unanimous ballot for the reelection of some grand officer is wrong in principle and contrary to grand lodge constitutions.

M. W. A. W. Emery, Evansville, Grand Master; R. W. C. W. Prather, Indianapolis, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. Daniel McDonald, Plymouth, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

INDIAN TERRITORY, 1905.

The thirty-second annual communication was held at Tulsa, Aug. 8th and 9th, M. W. W. O. Bruton, Grand Master. One hundred and twenty-six lodges represented; one hundred and thirty-nine on the roll. Ten past grand

masters present; our representative absent.

Eighteen dispensations for new lodges; one dispensation continued. Membership six thousand, three hundred, and sixty-three; gain six hundred and ninety-four. Receipts \$9,189.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Sixteen decisions were reported, only one of general interest, and properly disapproved by their law committee:

13. Held, that a master mason who is clear upon the books, and against whom there are no charges filed with the master or secretary, is, upon application to the worshipful master and secretary, entitled to a dimit without any action on the part of the lodge, and may apply for and receive the same lawfully at any time with or without the knowledge of the other members of the body.

While a brother in good standing has an undoubted right at any time to ask for a dimit, yet its granting is the act of the lodge, to be submitted to vote at a stated communication.

Among the special dispensations was one to elect a master from the floor, he being considered better material than could be found among those eligible to the office. This is contrary to the old regulations, and demoralizing in its tendencies.

An edict requiring documentary evidence from a visitor was also disapproved by the committee on law and usage, which held that the usages of masonry prescribe the manner in which a brother shall make himself known, that the right of visitation has been amply protected, and that no grand lodge or grand master has authority to add to or take from that privilege.

The Grand Master of Oklahoma was present as a visitor; the petition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico for recognition was again postponed, and that of Costa Rica deferred until next year; addresses were made by two past grand masters from Oklahoma; the Grand Chapter of Indian and Oklahoma Territory were thanked for an appropriation of \$750 to their home fund; a committee of three was appoint-

ed to assist the grand secretary in binding the proceedings in their library; eighteen charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; a special committee was appointed to recommend plans for a home and the reception of propositions for its location; an address was delivered by Bro. J. M. LaHay, grand orator, but not furnished for publication; an appropriation of \$1,500 was made to Bro. H. M. Furman, their financial agent, for his noble efforts in raising an orphans' home fund of \$50,000; a resolution of thanks was extended to the local lodge and citizens for their cordial welcome and kind treatment; the grand master's contingent fund was increased to \$500 to enable him to make more visitations; and the trustees of the home fund reported a balance of \$51,428.02 on hand, raised in five years, which was still further increased by an altar offering of \$35.

A third report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. T. C. Humphry, who manages to find time from his judicial labors to critically examine the proceedings of fifty-six grand lodges, Minnesota for 1905 among the number. He writes:

Not wishing to appear as a critic, it appears to the writer that if applicant claimed A as place of residence the lodge at A would be the place to apply for initiation, notwithstanding the applicant had heretofore been enrolled and voted at B.

The oration was by Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, of St. Paul. It was an eloquent and interesting address, and this reviewer would like to insert at length, but can only take some excerpts.

Bro. Irving Todd wrote a review of the foreign jurisdictions, covering eighty pages of well selected matter. The Indian Territory scribe remember the group of officials, including Bro. Todd, whose portraits embellish the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota two years since.

The portrait of Past Grand Master W. A. McGonagle adorns the journal for 1905. If he wore glasses and showed his teeth he would be nearly as good looking as our illustrious president.

With us the residence of a single man is held to be at the place where he votes. He cannot lawfully claim a home in one town and vote in another.

Judging from Bro. Humphry's standard of beauty he evidently is a descendant of the Emerald Isle.

M. W. R. W. Choate, Haileyville, Grand Master;
R. W. J. S. Murrow, Atoka, re-elected Grand Secretary;
Bro. T. C. Humphry, Atoka, committee on foreign correspondence.

IOWA, 1905.

The sixty-second annual communication was held at Davenport, June 6th, 7th, and 8th, M. W. Sumner Miller, Grand Master. Four hundred and fifty-four lodges represented; five hundred and two on the roll. Nine past grand masters present.

Two dispensations for new lodges; three charters surrendered; one consolidation. Membership thirty-five thousand, seven hundred, and twenty-nine; gain eleven hundred and forty-six. Receipts \$30,806.58.

The deaths of Bro. J. W. McClanahan, Bro. G. B. Van Saun, and Bro. A. R. Dewey, past grand masters, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master, with a number of single column cuts of deceased brethren and elective grand officers.

Under the head of Border Lodges the address says:

In compliance with your order I took up the border lodge matter with the Minnesota brethren. At the same time I instructed all the border lodges of our jurisdiction to inform me of the particulars of the invasion of their territory, if any, by Minnesota lodges. I received replies to all, I believe, with a single exception, and all reported to me that they know of no invasion in recent years. The last offenses of this kind I could find were reported by your grand master last year. These happened in 1902 and times prior to that date. I have been pleased to find very cordial and friendly feeling existing between the lodges of the two grand jurisdictions all along the border. Even at Northwood, Ia., and Albert Lea and Lyle, Minn., from whence this invasion was reported, the brethren visit back and forth and their relations are pleasant in every respect. As near as I have been able to determine this invasion of territory has been local in its character and not general, as I had supposed before investigation.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota, through its committee on masonic jurisprudence, has declared itself unmistakably in favor of adhering strictly to state lines in the jurisdiction of local lodges; this, too, no matter what the hardship worked on the brethren residents of these particular localities. As the last invasion of our territory occurred so long ago, and as good feeling now prevails among the lodges along the border, I feel that the best interests of masonry demand that the matter be dropped. I was assured by the Grand Master of Minnesota that he would at once inform the border lodges of the law that governs such cases. Henceforth, according to the laws of that jurisdiction, before a resident of Iowa can legally petition a Minnesota lodge it will be necessary that he obtain permission from the grand master of this jurisdiction. Without discussing the merits or demerits of the law of our Minnesota brethren, I will state that if adhered to by them it will protect us against the wholesale invasion of our territory by our neighbors on the north.

In the case of a resident of Iowa who returned from a visit in Scotland with a certificate of life membership in a Glasgow lodge, where he had been initiated, passed, and raised during an absence of less than three months, the grand master held that he had the same rights and privileges as any other non-resident master mason in good standing, notwithstanding his rejection in the lodge at home two years previously. He should have been declared an irregularly made mason, and treated accordingly.

Speaking of the fifteen hundred dimitted and stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues during the year, the grand master observes that "the annual elimination of this class of material is one of the greatest benefits that can possibly come to the craft. An order founded on such sacred principles that the unworthy find no comfortable abiding place in its ranks appears to be one of more than human origin. When this class of brothers sever their connections with the order, let it be done with our benediction."

Aprons were presented to two past grand masters; the board of custodians reported a revised test oath and form of blank to be used in the examination of visitors; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Nebraska; the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico was recognized, and

action upon Queensland and France deferred; charters were granted to the three lodges under dispensation; an interesting report was submitted by Bro. J. E. Morcombe, the newly appointed grand lodge historian; thanks were extended to the citizens generally for their entertainment; an appropriation of \$900 was made for the printing of a memorial volume to the memory of Bro. T. S. Parvin, late grand secretary; and an apron was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. J. E. Morcombe submitted his fourth report on fraternal correspondence, from which the following extracts are taken:

An unusual feature in this volume of proceedings is inclusion therein of portrait and memorial sketch of a lady. This is of Mrs. Eleanor Pierson, who had, by good works and close connection with the fraternity for many years, endeared herself to the masons of Minnesota. As the wife of Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, one of the most distinguished craftsmen of the state, some time grand master and for many years grand secretary, she was known to all, and the honor paid her memory was well deserved.

The annual address of Bro. McGonagle is a business like summing up of the work and conditions, though nothing is presented having interest except to the jurisdiction.

Grand Secretary Montgomery has much to say of his grand lodge register, which is arranged upon a system he believes superior to the card index. It was commenced by the grand secretary in 1893, was brought up to date, and had not cost the grand lodge a dollar beyond cost of book. He was authorized to procure needed books to carry on this very important work.

The oration delivered by Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, of St. Paul, was another of those efforts distinguished by voluminous flow of words and paucity of ideas. It is, we believe, a great mistake to laud the institution as is done in this and other like orations. Had one-tenth of what Bro. Hoffmann attributes to masonry in progress of the world been really performed, the position of the fraternity to-day as a world power would not be so ill defined and unsatisfactory. Facts are stubborn things, and do not always adapt themselves to the glowing periods of an orator. When analysis rather than glorification shall have become a masonic habit of thought it will be better for the fraternity.

Bro. Irving Todd's report on correspondence has packed into its eighty pages much of value gathered from masonic doings of other

jurisdictions, though the limit might have been extended with benefit to the writer and his readers. Iowa is excellently reviewed, and really very little of importance has escaped our brother's discerning eye.

Several important papers upon current masonic topics are reprinted as a conclusion in this excellent report, and are well worth re-reading.

A valuable publication from this jurisdiction is the Quarterly Bulletin of the Iowa Masonic Library, now in its eighth year, a convenient method of placing a vast amount of useful information in the hands of the craft at home and abroad.

M. W. H. Norris, Manchester, Grand Master; R. W. N. R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. E. Morcombe, Cedar Rapids, committee on fraternal correspondence.

KANSAS, 1905.

The forty-ninth annual communication was held at Witchita, Feb. 15th and 16th, M. W. T. G. Fitch, Grand Master. Two hundred and twenty-seven lodges represented; three hundred and sixty-eight on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Five dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered and one dispensation recalled. Membership twenty-five thousand, nine hundred, and eighty-six; gain twelve hundred and forty-four. Receipts \$26,608.03.

The deaths of Bro. J. D. McCleverty and Bro. J. D. Rush, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, two past grand masters, and two past grand secretaries.

The address is a comprehensive summary of official acts during the past twelve months, with nothing of general interest. Two decisions only were reported.

The reports of the home show fifty-five inmates and \$16,483.12 disbursements; five charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; an entertainment was given by

the children of the masonic home; a brief but scholarly address was delivered by Bro. Fred Washbon, grand orator; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; a telegram of sympathy was transmitted to Bro. G. S. Green, past grand master, with earnest hopes for his speedy recovery; an historical document, prepared by Bro. E. T. Carr, past grand secretary, was placed on file for use at the celebration of their fiftieth anniversary, and a special communication ordered to make arrangements for suitable ceremonies; the suggested changes in the ritual were not approved; an amendment to the by-laws was adopted, allowing mileage to the district deputy grand masters; and thanks were tendered the local masonic bodies for their courtesy and kindness.

An association of past grand masters was organized, similar to those of Tennessee and Oregon, and its proceedings duly appear in the printed journal.

Bro. W. M. Shaver prepared his fourth report on correspondence, having succeeded in cutting it down to two hundred and sixty-six pages, of which four are allotted to Minnesota. Among other things, he says:

M. W. H. R. Adams, of Minneapolis, presented a well conceived address of about fifteen pages, containing many poetic gems of thought.

A kindly reference was made to the value of correspondence reports, and the brethren urged to read them more carefully.

A couple of pages were devoted to the subject of district deputies, their system seeming to be still in a formulative condition.

The grand lodge refused to recede from its former position on the question of interjurisdictional waiver along the state border line. We believe we referred to this under our review of Iowa. We do not know what they will say when they discover that they have a Minnesota lodge practically stolen bodily from Iowa.

This committee made a detailed report covering some sixteen pages. The history of the home movement in each jurisdiction where one is founded is very fairly stated, about a page being devoted to Kansas.

Grand Secretary Montgomery submitted his usual interesting detailed report.

A high and merited compliment was paid to Bro. G. R. Metcalf by electing him a permanent member of the grand lodge, a much better plan than conferring the empty dignity of "honorary past grand master" upon him.

An excellent oration was presented by W. J. C. Bennett, grand orator, and appears in the appendix.

Bro. Irving Todd, from the committee on correspondence, again submits the review, a condensed report of one hundred pages. Kansas for 1903 is accorded two pages of these, in which our transactions of interest are briefly noted without unfavorable criticism.

The district deputy system is an old affair with us, dating back from 1867. The principal point involved in recent legislation is membership in the grand lodge, which had never before been granted.

Our position upon waiver of jurisdiction is that each case should be considered individually, instead of being conceded at wholesale. No reasonable request has ever been refused, nor probably ever will be. The charge of the Grand Lodge of Iowa against Alma Lodge has been in abeyance for several years, and we believe is not yet disposed of.

The reference to Bro. G. R. Metcalf is peculiarly unfortunate in view of his recent untimely death, without attaining that position in the grand lodge to which his merits so justly entitled him. Posthumous honors will avail little, so far as our late brother is personally concerned.

Bro. Shaver believes that the American flag in an American lodge is an expressive symbol of patriotism and of loyalty; that treaties seem to be relied upon more to determine the status between the many masonic bodies of Mexico than established principles of masonic comity; that the laying a corner stone is masonic labor equally with an installation or the conferring of a degree, and therefore improper on Sunday; that an American who is made a mason in a foreign country should be treated as irregular, and denied the right of visitation; that one visit of a grand master is worth a dozen of a district deputy; that an official cipher ritual is a necessary evil, although he is emphatically out of sympathy with that alleged to have been adopted in

his own jurisdiction; that a lodge is not born until it is granted a charter by the grand lodge, and should date its anniversaries accordingly; that the necessity for special dispensations disappear wonderfully in the face of a \$5 fee; and that a dimitted mason should be at perfect liberty to affiliate where he pleases.

The principal objection to the display of a flag in a masonic hall is not the flag itself, but to the grand lodge regulation making its presence obligatory. In our opinion it is one of the matters that should be left discretionary with the lodge.

M. W. S. R. Peters, Newton, Grand Master; R. W. A. K. Wilson, Topeka, re-elected Grand Secretary. Bro. W. M. Shaver, Topeka, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

KENTUCKY, 1905.

The one hundred and fifth annual communication was held at Louisville, Oct. 17th, 18th, and 19th, M. W. R. H. C. Rhea, Grand Master. Four hundred and seventy-five lodges represented; four hundred and eighty-five on the roll. Nineteen past grand masters present.

Ten dispensations for new lodges; two charters arrested. Membership twenty-six thousand, nine hundred, and ninety-two; gain fifteen hundred and seventy-six. Receipts \$27,248.82.

The death of Bro. J. D. Landrum, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the deceased past grand master.

The address is a brief business paper, with no decisions; two poems were recited by Bro. F. C. Gerard, past grand master; seven charters were granted, and three dispensations continued; the trustees of The Masonic reported that the expenses exceeded the receipts by \$5,780.76, and that \$1,154.31 had been expended in addition for improvements and changes in the building only two years old; the recom-

mendation of the grand master that documentary evidence be required from visitors was not approved by the committee on jurisprudence; a revision of the Digest and Code was ordered; the movement to restore the monument to Bro. Henry Clay, past grand master, which was struck by lightning in June, 1903, was heartily indorsed, with a committee appointed to present the matter to the governor and the general assembly; the report of the home showed two hundred and fifty-seven inmates, maintenance \$45,456.02, improvements and repairs \$7,470.96; the penalty of a lodge securing the admission of a home inmate by misrepresentation was fixed at the arrest of its charter; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Ohio; a dispensation was granted for a new lodge; the grand secretary was instructed to procure the great lights, columns, and pedestals for the grand lodge; the subordinate lodges were appealed to for contributions to the old masons' home at Shelbyville; mileage and per diem were voted to all past grand masters and past masters serving on committees; several constitutional amendments were proposed, for action next year; a collection of \$132.49 was taken for the old masons' home; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. W. W. Clarke, whose previous experience in this line of work eminently fits him for the responsible position. Minnesota is criticised as follows:

The committee on jurisprudence recommended "that no lodge in this jurisdiction shall in the future grant honorary membership or exempt any of its members from the payment of lodge dues." We have always been of the opinion that such matters might, with great propriety, be left to the lodge. We do not believe that the subordinate lodge should be kept forever in leading strings. We think they should be allowed to stand alone sometimes.

An excellent report on correspondence was submitted by the chairman of the committee, Bro. Irving Todd. He reviews the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky for 1904 accurately and courteously.

Our brother quotes our remarks of last year referring to his criticism of the name of our temple. He replies by saying, "yes, but The Masonic what?" In an effort to enlighten the brother we can only say that in this instance the word masonic is a noun, and not an adjective.

Calling an adjective a noun does not always make it so. The name appears to be about as unfortunate as its financial prospects.

M. W. James Garnet, Columbia, Grand Master; R. W. H. B. Grant, Louisville, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. W. Clarke, Owensboro, reporter of foreign affairs.

LOUISIANA, 1905.

The ninety-third annual communication was held at New Orleans, Feb. 6th, 7th, and 8th, M. W. L. P. Delahoussaye, Grand Master. One hundred and fourteen lodges represented; one hundred and fifty-nine on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership eight thousand, nine hundred, and sixty; gain eight hundred and forty-one. Receipts, including rents, sale of lots, etc., \$33,731.21.

The deaths of Bro. E. T. Sellers, deputy grand master, and Bro. S. M. Todd, their senior past grand master, were announced.

The grand master reports the extinction of the temple debt, an incubus of thirteen years' standing.

Six charters were granted, one declared forfeited, and one dispensation extended; the masonic cemetery was reported in excellent condition and self-sustaining; congratulations from an eastern star chapter were received and printed in the journal; a past grand master from Indian Territory was cordially welcomed as a visitor; a resolution was adopted providing that in future no lodge shall receive mileage unless it has made returns, paid dues, and is represented by one of its own members; the committee on plan of masonic relief submitted an elaborate report, and

further consideration of the subject was postponed until next year; the commission of their representative near the Grand Lodge of California was withdrawn, that jurisdiction having abandoned the system; the sum of \$2,000 was placed in the hands of the grand master for masonic relief; mileage was voted to the lodges granted charters at this session; a resolution authorizing lodges to rent their halls to eastern star chapters was laid over until the next annual communication; an appropriation of \$1,500 was made for an additional grand lecturer; master masons were required to present themselves for an examination as to their proficiency thirty days after being raised; and the law committee held that the recognition of a representative from another grand lodge was a matter of comity, not governed by any regulation.

The report on foreign correspondence is from the able pen of Bro. H. C. Duncan, Minnesota not received. It is largely composed of extracts.

Bro. Duncan insists that a lodge under dispensation has the same right to grant dimits that it has to make members; with us it has no power to do either; that the conferring of the past master's degree at the session of a grand lodge is making postrequisite out of a prerequisite; that there is one thing a grand master cannot do, make a past master, at sight or in any other way; that the powers of a lodge spring from its charter, and not from its by-laws; that an entered apprentice should be expelled for insulting the daughter of a master mason; that investigating committees should not report in writing; that there is no reason for prohibiting the burial of an entered apprentice or fellow craft by a lodge; and that an association of past grand masters is objectionable as having a tendency to create a ring in the grand lodge.

M.: W.: L. P. Delahoussaye, Grand Master, and R.: W.: Richard Lambert, Grand Secretary, were reelected; both of New Orleans. Bro. H. C. Duncan, Alexandria, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

MAINE, 1905. *

The eighty-sixth annual communication was held at Portland, May 2d, 3d, and 4th, M. W. H. R. Chaplin, Grand Master. One hundred and ninety-one lodges represented; two hundred on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership twenty-five thousand, three hundred, and seven; gain six hundred and ninety-six. Receipts \$7,947.44. 947.44.

The deaths of Bro. M. F. King, past grand master and grand treasurer, and Bro. H. H. Burbank, past grand master, were announced.

The portrait is that of the late grand treasurer.

The address is a concise statement of the business of the year; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the finance committee reported the completion of the third volume of the grand lodge reprint; the Grand Master of Wisconsin was welcomed as a visitor; two lodge histories were received since the last annual communication, a work in which Maine leads the world; and a special committee was appointed to devise some practical method of preventing the encroachment of clandestine lodges, and report next year.

Bro. A. E. Chase presented his third report on foreign correspondence, a carefully prepared paper. The following paragraphs are taken from the two page review of Minnesota:

We do not approve the naming of a lodge for any living man, even for so good a man as Bro. Thomas Montgomery.

An able oration was delivered by Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, the grand orator, upon The Heart of Masonry—Freemasonry. We quote the concluding paragraph.

The grand secretary discourses about the grand lodge register. * * * However, in view of what he says further on in regard to an alphabetical index and new registers we believe he is wrong in thinking that his register is better than a card index, for surely, in filling out his register and his alphabeical index he must write each

name twice as against once in the card system, and as for room required to store away registers compared with that required for cards, what shall we say?

As we read the report of these proceedings we are led to enquire how a grand master elect can, before his installation, be received with the grand honors?

That's dead easy, Bro. Chase. The presiding officer calls up the grand lodge and proceeds to give them.

M. W. H. R. Chaplin, Bangor, Grand Master, and R. W. Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. A. E. Chase, Portland, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

MANITOBA, 1905.

The thirtieth annual communication was held at Winnipeg, June 14th and 15th, M. W. Andrew Chisholm, Grand Master. Seventy-one lodges represented; seventy-nine on the roll. Eleven past grand masters and our representative present.

Eleven dispensations for new lodges. Membership four thousand, seven hundred, and eighty-six; gain five hundred and twelve. Receipts \$5,930.60.

The address is a brief paper of three pages; fraternal greetings were exchanged with Wisconsin and Nova Scotia; invitations to visit a newspaper office and photograph gallery were accepted; a chain collar was presented to a past grand master; twenty dispensations to attend divine service were reported; ten charters were granted and four dispensations continued; the rank of past district deputy grand master was conferred upon twelve brethren; and thanks were tendered a local lodge for the use of its regalia.

A special communication was held June 30th for the purpose of installing the grand master and other officers not present at the annual communication.

M. W. W. G. Scott, Grand Master, M. W. J. A. Ovas, reelected Grand Secretary; both of Winnipeg.

MARYLAND, 1904.

At the semi-annual communication in May a large portion of the address was devoted to their great conflagration and the tender of the available space in the temple to burned out business men without hope of fee or expectation of reward; the death of Bro. J. H. Medairy, emeritus grand secretary, was announced, after a faithful service of forty years; and the Grand Lodge of Egypt was recognized.

The one hundred and eighteenth annual communication was held at Baltimore, Nov. 15th and 16th, M. W. T. J. Shryock, Grand Master. One hundred and four lodges represented; one hundred and six on the roll. Their one past grand master absent.

Membership ten thousand, two hundred, and ninety-three; gain five hundred and sixty-seven. Receipts \$41,369.08.

The portrait is that of Bro. Henry Branch, grand chaplain since 1888.

Receipt was acknowledged of \$3,250 from their temporary tenants for the grand charity fund; thanks were extended to a brother for the donation of a set of the Record of the Civil War to their library; and a past deputy grand master had to be called upon to install the grand master elect.

Bro. E. T. Schultz presented his accustomed report on foreign correspondence, in which Minnesota occupies two pages. Our proceedings are kindly noticed, with few comments. It is an interesting and valuable paper.

Bro. Schultz holds that a lodge or a grand lodge cannot perform labor of any kind while called off to refreshment; that an entered apprentice or a fellow craft is entitled to be present when a lodge is opened or closed on the degree to which he has attained; that there are certain powers inherent in the office of grand master which cannot be taken away from him by any legislation of the grand lodge; that there are but two kinds of grand honors, the private, con-

sisting of the signs and dueguards of the three degrees, with the addition of the battery one, two, and three, and the public, known as the funeral grand honors; that nothing could be accomplished by an objection after the brother had received the master's degree; that the members of a lodge are the proper judges of the physical qualifications of candidates, and not the grand master; that a brother who has never qualified as master or warden should not be permitted to confer degrees or preside over the lodge; that where one good man is denied ten are admitted who reflect no honor or credit upon the fraternity; that the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction is sound and masonic, in which we do not concur; that a past master's jewel should be of silver; that every member present should vote upon an application for the degrees; and that it is the duty of correspondence committees to criticise the legislation of grand lodges, but in a courteous and respectful manner.

M. W. T. J. Shryock, Grand Master, and R. W. W. M. Isaac, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. E. T. Schultz, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, all of Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1904.

At the March quarterly two mahogany ballot boxes, found in a chest belonging to Bro. Joseph Warren, grand master, after his death at the battle of Bunker Hill, were presented to the grand lodge.

At the September quarterly charters were granted to their three lodges under dispensation in China.

The annual communication was held at Boston, Dec. 14th, M. W. Baalis Sanford, Grand Master. Two hundred and four lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-nine on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Membership forty-six thousand, seven hundred, and ninety; gain fourteen hundred and sixty-one. Receipts \$16,520, exclusive of rents.

The portrait is that of the Earl of Dartmouth, an English provincial grand master who recently visited Boston.

The total indebtedness upon their temple was stated at \$355,000, \$20,000 having been paid upon the principal; the committee on curiosities of the craft reported an addition of sixty articles to their collection.

The grand officers were installed on St. John's Day, followed by the annual feast.

M. W. Baalis Sanford, Brockton, Grand Master, and R. W. S. D. Nickerson, Boston, Recording Grand Secretary, were reelected.

MICHIGAN, 1905.

The sixty-first annual communication was held at Detroit, May 23d and 24th, M. W. F. E. Turrell, Grand Master. Three hundred and eighty-six lodges represented; three hundred and eighty-eight on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Six dispensations for new lodges; two charters surrendered; one consolidation. Membership fifty-one thousand, eight hundred, and seventy-one; gain twenty-five hundred and six. Receipts \$28,307.30.

The portraits are of the grand master and grand master elect.

The address is a business like statement of official work performed during the past sixteen months; there is nothing in the five decisions of especial interest.

The grand secretary's report noted that the two old lodges at St. Joseph had surrendered their charters for the purpose of forming a new lodge, whose petition for a dispensation contained three hundred and seventy-five names. The bad feature is the loss of rank and standing, from No. 56 back to No. 437. It would have been much better to have consolidated under the oldest charter. He also gives the following unusual incident:

For many years it has been the custom of Doric Lodge No. 342, of Grand Rapids, to celebrate the birthday of Bro. W. K. Wheeler,

a past grand master of said lodge, by inviting him to confer the third degree upon a candidate. The last birthday was his ninetieth, and he conferred the third degree upon a candidate, before a large assemblage of masons, with all of his old time vigor and accuracy, and expects to continue thus celebrating his birthday occasions for many years to come.

The grand lecturer took issue with the customary statement that white gloves and aprons were worn at the building of King Solomon's Temple as a token of innocence, substituting white garments therefor, and also recommended an amendment to the ritual making the height of the pillars eighteen cubits as in Iowa, instead of thirty-five. The special committee to whom the matter was referred, however, advised that no changes be made for the present, and another committee has a year to think it over.

The report of the home showed fifty-two inmates, maintenance \$12,481.15; legislation permitting all of the third degree other than the first part of the second section to be conferred upon more than one candidate at a time, reducing the per capita from thirty cents to twenty-five, and amending the penal code were turned down by the committee on jurisprudence; seven charters were granted and one dispensation continued; a jewel was voted to a past grand master to replace one lost by fire; a special committee was appointed to recommend some uniform system of charity other than passing the hat, and report next year; an appropriation of \$300 was made to take up a mortgage upon the home of a master mason's widow; recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was denied; a resolution of sympathy was extended to a past grand master, absent by reason of illness; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The grand secretary presented his second report on foreign correspondence, devoting two pages to Minnesota, from which we take the following:

An eloquent oration was delivered by the grand orator, L. G. Hoffmann, which is published in full in the proceedings.

Bro. Irving Todd submits the report upon foreign correspondence for the committee, Michigan for 1904 being cordially reviewed.

The following defense of official ciphers is found under the head of Tennessee:

It is evident that the Grand Lodge of Tennessee is terribly in earnest on this subject. We ourselves feel that they are needlessly alarmed about the evil, if it can be called such. We have personally been quite active in masonic work in this grand jurisdiction since the adoption of the Michigan masonic ritual, one year as grand master, three years as grand lecturer, and two years as grand secretary, and we have yet to hear the first instance where an official copy of our ritual has fallen into the hands of any but those authorized to have them. And we personally know that the standard of proficiency in the official work of the lodges has been very much raised since the adoption and promulgation of the grand lodge work; that much more interest is taken by the officers of our constituent lodges to perfect themselves in the work, and to portray the degrees to the candidates in a way that makes a much deeper and more lasting impression upon them. We do not believe that there is any grand jurisdiction where masonry is any more prosperous and flourishing than in Michigan. And we have yet to see the first instance of any evil results arising from the use of our grand lodge ritual.

Under Virginia he compliments the ladies as follows:

To this, Bro. Eggleston, we would say that our own experience has led us to the belief that there is no better force at work to-day for the upbuilding of the order of freemasonry and attracting to its doors the cleanest and brightest men of the age than the Order of the Eastern Star. We have also observed from visitations made to masonic lodges before and after the organization of a chapter of the Eastern Star in connection with said lodge that the miskept rooms, dirty cuspidors, barren walls, had given way to cleanliness and attractive furniture and beautiful adornments.

M. W. John Rowson, Grand Rapids, Grand Master;
R. W. L. B. Winsor, Reed City, re-elected Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI, 1905.

The eighty-seventh annual communication was held at Jackson, Feb. 23d and 24th, M. W. T. U. Sisson, Grand Master. Two hundred and sixty-two lodges represented; two hundred and ninety-eight on the roll. Ten past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership twelve thousand, two hundred, and forty-four; gain seven hundred and eighty-seven. Receipts \$11,090.65.

The deaths of Bro. W. H. Howard, senior grand warden, and Bro. H. H. Folk, past grand master, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and three past grand officers.

A telegram of sympathy was forwarded to a past grand master upon the recent death of his wife; the grand secretary was allowed \$600 for his new digest, money well invested; an old chart and templar's collar and apron belonging to their first grand master was reported as filed among the archives; the time of the annual meetings was changed from Thursday to Tuesday, to antedate the other grand bodies; twenty-two local decisions were handed down by the law committee, besides several supplementary reports; the number of district deputy grand masters was increased to thirty; the Grand Lodge of Queensland was recognized; a lodge charter was reported as surrendered; the use of intoxicants was forbidden at all masonic banquets, picnics, or other gatherings; a committee of one from each masonic district was appointed to solicit contributions for a home and receive propositions for its location; the committee on credentials was made a standing committee, by amendment of the statutes; a resolution of thanks was tendered the local brethren for true masonic courtesy and kindness; one of the assistant secretaries generously donated his allowance of \$25 to the home fund; a visit in a body was paid to the venerable widow of Bro. J. L. Power, their grand secretary for thirty-two years; an appropriation of \$250 was made to

the confederate veterans' home at Beauvoir; seven charters and one dispensation were granted, and two dispensations continued; the monument to Bro. J. L. Power was ordered to be erected according to previous instructions; and mileage and per diem was voted to masters who attended the district meetings.

Owing to illness Bro. A. H. Barkley was not present at the session, but there is no deterioration in his excellent report on foreign correspondence, which has two pages of quotations from Bro. H. R. Adams' address and Bro. J. C. Bennett's oration. He says:

Bro. J. C. Bennett delivered the annual oration, which was a masterly production.

This report, as usual, was prepared and submitted by Bro. Irving Todd. It is a model of excellence, and by no means falls short of the standard erected by himself. Mississippi is reviewed in one and one-half pages.

M. W. T. B. Franklin, Columbus, Grand Master; M. W. Frederic Speed, Vicksburg, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. H. Barkley, Crawford, committee on foreign correspondence.

Since the above was placed in type we are officially notified of the death of Bro. Barkley, Dec. 9th, at the ripe age of seventy-six. He had been a prominent attendant at grand lodge since 1866, was grand master in 1874-5, and had written the reports on foreign correspondence three years before and eighteen since that date, in which he achieved a national reputation. The loss of another of its best beloved members is sincerely regretted by the guild.

MISSOURI, 1905.

The eighty-fifth annual communication was held at St. Louis, Sept. 26th, 27th, and 28th, M. W. L. B. Valliant, Grand Master. Three hundred and sixty-seven lodges represented; five hundred and sixty-eight on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters and our representative present.

Seven dispensations for new lodges; one charter arrested. Membership forty thousand, nine hundred, and eighty-three; gain nineteen hundred and three. Receipts \$41,499.42.

The death of Bro. T. E. Garrett, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The following paragraph from the grand master's address is wholly erroneous so far as Minnesota is concerned:

I requested our grand secretary, M. W. Bro. Parson, to correspond with the grand secretaries of other jurisdictions to ascertain the law in their respective jurisdictions on this subject. From this correspondence I gather that in the following states and provinces duly authenticated certificates under seal are required before a visitor will be examined: Illinois, New York, Rhode Island, Minnesota, New Hampshire, South Carolina, Wyoming, Indian Territory, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, and British Columbia. In California and several of the other states there are also certain requirements looking to caution in admitting visitors, and from several states who have no law on the subject came expressions of approval of the precaution indicated in this edict, and of a purpose to adopt it.

Forty-three decisions were reported, containing nothing worth reproducing; the reports of the home show one hundred and forty-six inmates, maintenance \$27,164.21; the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico was recognized, and no action taken on the applications from Benito Juarez and Brazil; a past grand master from Louisiana was welcomed as a visitor; six charters were granted, and one dispensation continued; an address was delivered by Bro. A. A. Johnson, grand orator; the special committee reported their design for a past grand master's jewel, a cut of which is appended, and they were authorized to procure a sufficient number for distribution at the next session; the pending prohibition amendments to the by-laws was indefinitely postponed, reconsidered, and finally defeated; relief appropriations of \$815 were made in addition to the expense of the home; the proposed amendment changing the time of meeting of the

grand lodge was not adopted; and the official jewel was duly turned over to the new grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. R. E. Anderson, past grand master, a very creditable first effort. He gives over six pages to Minnesota for 1905, and says that the grand master's address is an able document; that the three decisions are in accordance with established masonic law; and that the oration of Bro. L. G. Hoffmann is a gem, regretting that the lack of space forbids its insertion in full.

The familiar legend upon the third page of the cover, announcing that the proceedings are issued in four days after the close of the session, has been lost in the death of our grand master, Bro. Vincil. It is up to Bro. Parson to supply a substitute.

M. W. A. S. Houston, Mexico, Grand Master; R. W. J. R. Parson, St. Louis, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. R. E. Anderson, Hannibal, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

MONTANA, 1904.

The fortieth annual communication was held at Helena, Oct. 5th and 6th, M. W. H. S. Hepner, Grand Master. Fifty lodges represented; fifty-one on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present, including our representative.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership four thousand and thirteen; gain two hundred and thirty-three. Receipts \$8,047.95.

The deaths of Bro. Samuel Word, Bro. J. R. Weston, Bro. J. W. Hathaway, and Bro. J. H. Mills, past grand masters, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The following decision will not meet with general approval:

11. The fact that an applicant was born out of lawful wedlock, but is of good repute, and possessed of all other qualifications pre-

scribed by masonry, is not a disqualification to his becoming a member of our order in this jurisdiction.

The masonic fund was reported at \$23,855.42; telegraphic greetings were exchanged with the Grand Secretary of Washington; the office of grand lecturer was discontinued; charters were granted the two lodges under dispensation; the use of liquors at masonic banquets was prohibited; service in the army was allowed to count as residence in applying for the degrees; the lodges were instructed to present a copy of the monitor and code to each brother on receiving the third degree; the signet ring was turned over; a testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master, and thanks to the local brethren for their general hospitality.

The report of fraternal correspondence of course was by the genial grand secretary; Minnesota has three pages, from which are taken the following:

The volume brought up for inspection is not as large as some that contain far less valuable matter.

An excellent picture of Grand Master H. R. Adams, who ruled the craft during the year and presided during the session till his successor was installed, is an agreeable introduction to a noble representative of the craft, better appreciated after reading his address. After reading his address and the oration of Bro. J. C. Bennett, we recognize that there are higher degrees in masonry than are indicated by the titles borne.

Bro. Grand Secretary Montgomery, in opening his very lucid and complete official report, expresses gratitude for a continuance of partially restored health. We are anxious to hear that his health is wholly restored, for his valuable services are needed.

As chairman of a committee to investigate the subject of a home, Bro. W. P. Roberts rendered a very complete report, having corresponded with every jurisdiction that has a home, and also sent to each lodge in the state a letter of inquiry asking for an expression of opinion on the several features of the project. Only one hundred and fifty-six out of two hundred and thirty-nine lodges made reply, and of these nearly two to one voted against having a home. With such a showing it will not be surprising that the subject was indefinitely postponed. * * * We are not going to say how much we are ashamed and disappointed in the action of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. We are simply amazed at the action taken by the same body of men and masons that listened to the oration of Bro. Bennett, and

applauded its lofty sentiment. The brethren that spent so much time and care in collecting statistics and showing how cheaply and speedily the end might be reached have not labored in vain. Those who voted no in lodge and grand lodge have the matter still pending in their own consciences. They are neither proud or happy over what they have done, and before two years pass away the returning tide of self respect and more light on their plighted vows will voice a louder response in favor of a home.

The attempt to make Bro. G. R. Metcalf an honorary past grand master, after being robbed of its grace, miscarried. The effort is none the less to the credit of Past Grand Master Wells.

Appendix K is devoted to the correspondence report of Bro. Irving Todd. It might have been headed O. K. without violating any propriety. His introduction contains two lines, and his conclusion lacks that much. His editorial experience stands him in good stead, and he makes every word count. Montana under Bro. Slack's administration is very cleverly epitomized. His home is Hastings.

It is the deliberate opinion of a majority of the craft in this jurisdiction that our plan of dispensing masonic relief is far preferable to a home, and as a matter of fact our grand lodge is doing more good with an average annual expenditure of about \$1,500 than could be accomplished in an institution with at least ten times that amount for maintenance alone, to say nothing of the cost of buildings and equipment. Masonic homes are expensive luxuries, and cannot be sustained upon mere sentiment.

M. W. L. L. Callaway, Virginia City, Grand Master; R. W. Cornelius Hedges, Helena, re-elected Grand Secretary, and continued as chairman of the committee on correspondence.

NEBRASKA, 1905.

The forty-eighth annual communication was held at Omaha, June 6th and 7th, M. W. C. E. Burnham, Grand Master. Two hundred and thirteen lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-three on the roll. Twenty-five past grand masters and our representative present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership fourteen thousand, seven hundred, and nineteen; gain five hundred and twenty-eight. Receipts \$24,141.88.

The death of Bro. R. W. Furnas, past grand master, was announced.

Thirteen decisions were reported, only of local interest; the report of the home shows twelve inmates, maintenance four months, \$736.89; fraternal greetings were exchanged with Iowa and Wisconsin; a message of sympathy was sent to a past grand master, absent on account of illness; the revised burial service was approved and ordered to be printed; a committee was appointed to visit a past grand master at home sick; the card registry system was adopted; an interesting address was delivered by Bro. L. H. Blackledge, grand orator; the two lodges under dispensation were granted charters; the Grand Lodge of New South Wales and the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico were recognized, and the application of the Grand Lodge of Queensland postponed; Bro. C. P. Hackney, made a mason Apr. 23d, 1846, was welcomed as a visitor; members of extinct lodges were given a year to affiliate or procure a dimit from the grand secretary; the question of taxing masonic property in the state was referred to the committee on jurisprudence, with instruction to have a test case adjudicated; and thanks were tendered to the retiring grand master, and to the local fraternity for their hospitality.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. C. J. Phelps, a paper well worth reading. The following extracts are taken from the fraternal review of Minnesota:

Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, grand orator, delivered an address, eloquent in earnest words, and evidencing the true conception of the worth of freemasonry to the human race.

Some critic has said that most of the societies holding annual sessions meet to amend the constitution and elect officers. In many grand lodges the amendment of the constitution requires time, and a degree of circumlocution quite inconsistent with the fact that a grand lodge is said to possess supreme authority, masonically, to legislate,

execute, and judicially determine all matters coming before it. The time it took in Minnesota is indicated by the following: * * *

The proceedings of their Masonic Veteran Association, at the twelfth annual reunion, are appended and constitute interesting reading. The annual feast was a very enjoyable occasion, and addresses were made by the president and others.

Bro. Irving Todd again presents the report on correspondence, ably written, covering eighty pages, and reviewing the proceedings of fifty-five grand lodges, Nebraska, 1904, receiving generous consideration.

M. W. M. R. Hopewell, Tekamah, Grand Master;
K. W. F. E. White, Omaha, reelected Grand Secretary,
and continued as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEVADA, 1905.

The forty-first annual communication was held at Carson City, June 13th and 14th, M. W. George Gillson, Grand Master. Twenty lodges represented; twenty-one on the roll. Seven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership ten hundred and thirty; gain forty-five. Receipts \$1,459.94.

The death of Bro. Tremmor Coffin, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The Grand Orient of Brazil was recognized, and that of Argentina withheld; a banquet was tendered by the local lodge and chapter; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin by wire; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$500; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; the lodges were instructed to pay the per capita tax upon back dues collected from restored members; the edict of non-visitation issued against a resident of Nevada who had received the degrees in California was perpetuated; a new appointive office was created, to be styled the grand commissioner of review, in other words the chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence is

now a member of the grand lodge without being a past master; recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Benito Juarez, and the application of the Grand Lodge of Queensland postponed; and thanks were extended to the local brethren for courtesies and hospitality.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth, under his old title as chairman of the committee. Next year look out for a stunner. Of Minnesota he writes:

Nineteen hundred and four's grand master, Bro. W. A. McGonagle, is a splendid looking mason. He is business from the word go, and his address is evidence thereof. It is a succinct statement of the work to be reported.

The grand master held that a brother stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues, and a suicide, could receive masonic burial "by courtesy of the lodge." As a general principle a suicide is not entitled to masonic burial. This follows along Biblical lines. Its severity is intended to prevent the killing of self. Bros. Morris and Chase, learned masonic writers, hold that a brother who commits suicide should, by no means, be buried with the honors of masonry. This view has given way to the more liberal (and more just, say we) custom that the burial of a suicide be left to the discretion of the master of the lodge. It is in safe hands when left with him. Under Minnesota laws, as under those of Louisiana and a few other jurisdictions, striking from the rolls is a sort of weak-kneed suspension, one that does not affect standing nor debar from any privilege, except membership. Such a brother is a delinquent, therefore unworthy, and punished by being stricken from the roll of members. So it comes that an unworthy delinquent and a suicide, in these jurisdictions, may be buried by courtesy.

Grand Secretary Montgomery's report is always a readable one.

Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, grand orator, delivered an able address.

From the pen of Bro. Irving Todd we find a brief summary of the masonic doings in fifty-five grand jurisdictions. Nevada for 1904 receives a page.

Following the review of Bro. Todd come full and interesting accounts of the reunions for 1904 and 1905 of the Masonic Veteran Association.

Bro. Vanderlieth is greatly mistaken as to the Minnesota law. A brother stricken from the rolls for non-payment of

dues with us becomes a non-affiliate, and is not entitled to anything except the privilege of applying for affiliation. He cannot visit, join in processions, nor claim assistance or masonic burial; the latter is sometimes accorded, at the request of his family, but only through courtesy.

M.: W.: C. A. Beemer, Sparks, Grand Master; V.: W.: C. N. Noteware, Carson City, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth, Carson City, grand commissioner of review.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1904.

The thirty-seventh annual communication was held at St. John, Aug. 23d and 24th, M.: W.: A. I. Trueman, Grand Master. Twenty-five lodges represented; thirty-five on the roll. Three past grand masters present, including our representative.

Membership two thousand, one hundred, and forty-five; gain seventy-eight. Receipts \$2,157.25.

The death of Bro. Robert Marshall, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the past grand master.

The grand master and grand secretary of Quebec were welcomed as visitors; congratulations were wired to a past deputy grand master, at home celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of his marriage; it was held that a subordinate lodge has no power to confer the rank of past master upon a brother who has not regularly passed the chair; the salary of the grand secretary was increased \$100 for the present year; recognition of the Grand Lodge of Queensland was deferred; thanks were transmitted to the widow of a past grand master for a donation of books and regalia; the rank of past senior grand warden was conferred upon a past master, who had been a mason sixty-two years, and that of past grand chaplain upon the late incumbent of that office; and a constitutional amendment was adopted to drop the name of the brother having the lowest number of votes after each ballot.

M. W. E. J. Everett, Grand Master; V. W. J. T. Hartt, re-appointed Grand Secretary; both of St. John.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1905.

The one hundred and sixteenth annual communication was held at Concord, May 17th, R. W. I. A. Chase, acting Grand Master. Fifty-five lodges represented; seventy-nine on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership nine thousand, five hundred, and sixty-five; loss seven. Receipts \$7,562.

The death of Bro. A. W. Baker, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the deceased past grand master.

The grand master was absent on account of illness; seven local decisions were reported; a special committee was appointed to prepare and print a digest of decisions; a resolution of sympathy was forwarded to the grand master; the committee on jurisprudence recommended that their constitution be amended limiting jurisdiction over rejected material to five years, that a lodge has authority to make an assessment upon all its members, life or otherwise, and that the applications of Porto Rico, Gautemala, and Queensland for recognition be left in the hands of the committee for the present; luncheon was provided for those present; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; provision was made for instructing the lodges in regard to the necessary precautions in the admission of visitors; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master, his son acting as proxy.

In the appendix appears a brief statement of their masonic home, incorporated in 1883. The cost of the site, grading, and building is given at \$25,667.43, of furnishing exclusive of donations at \$3,877.60, and in 1903 the grand lodge voted a per capita tax of fifty cents for its support and to extinguish the debt of about \$5,600. It has had eight different inmates,

two of whom soon withdrew, but there are no other statistics, such as date of opening, expense of maintenance, etc. Probably an expensive luxury.

An excellent report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. A. S. Wait, in which he says:

Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, grand orator, delivered before the grand body an oration of such merit as brought from the brethren a vote of thanks and a request for a copy for publication. It appears in an appendix to the proceedings.

As in many former years the report on foreign correspondence was furnished by Bro. Irving Todd, who in a space of eighty pages reviews with marked ability the proceedings of fifty-five sister grand lodges, including New Hampshire for 1904. Our time allows us only to refer to the review of New Hampshire, which is fraternal and kind throughout.

Bro. Wait still maintains that a grand lodge has no legitimate authority to interdict individual intercourse between its members and those of another jurisdiction, although admitting that all the edicts he has ever seen contain this prohibition. If they did not practically there would be no suspension of fraternal relations.

M. . . W. . . I. A. Chase, Bristol, Grand Master; R. . . W. . . F. D. Woodbury, Concord, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. S. Wait, Newport, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW JERSEY, 1905.

The one hundred and eighteenth annual communication was held at Trenton, Mar. 22d and 23d, M. . . W. . . J. H. Wilkins, Grand Master. One hundred and seventy-three lodges represented; one hundred and seventy-five on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership twenty-three thousand, four hundred, and eighty-seven; gain thirteen hundred and eighty-five. Receipts \$24,059.16.

The death of Bro. W. S. Whitehead, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are that of the grand master and the late past grand master.

Several distinguished brethren from Delaware were welcomed as visitors; no decisions were reported, every case having been answered by referring the questioner to the Digest; the report of the home shows sixty-four inmates, maintenance \$19,087.16; the new orphanage was reported completed and dedicated; the requests of the grand lodges of Valle de Mexico, Porto Rico, and Queensland, and the Grand Orient of Brazil for recognition were laid over until next year; the absent grand treasurer was congratulated upon the recent improvement in health; a chaplain was provided for the masonic home, his expenses to be paid from the maintenance fund; a resolution to rescind the edict of 1872 in relation to the Grand Lodge of Hamburg for intrusion of territory was referred to the committee on foreign correspondence, to report next year; the committee on petitions and grievances reported that nothing had come before them requiring action; a warrant was granted to the lodge under dispensation; and a jewel was ordered for the retiring grand master.

A very creditable report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. W. H. Apgar, his first effort. In reviewing Minnesota for 1904 he says:

You are right, Bro. Adams, and when your home has been secured and put in operation a practically unanimous brotherhood in your state will so say and commend your zeal therein, and we regret your grand lodge indefinitely postponed the matter.

The oration by W. Bro. J. C. Bennett, grand orator, was worthy of the name. It has the true masonic ring, and the thought developed was expressed with eloquence. Want of space alone forbids our reproducing portions of it.

W. Bro. Irving Todd has reviewed the various grand lodge proceedings, and has done so very concisely. He gives to New Jersey two pages, and refers under heads to the landmarks reported by our committee. Under his review of Wisconsin we discover that Bro. Todd is opposed to a masonic home. We hope we have not been in-

trusive in our views, hereinabove expressed, but as our brethren for over twenty years successfully opposed a home in New Jersey and now, after securing one and enlarging it by building an orphanage, have so fully and completely time and again stated and shown by word and by cash the emphatic reversal of their judgment, we cannot but believe that the experiment tried in other jurisdictions would result as it has in New Jersey. We will drop the subject with the query, has any grand jurisdiction that has erected a successful home ever regretted it?

The brethren of Minnesota believe that their plan of dispensing relief, at a very small fraction of the expense of erecting and maintaining a home, is the best for this jurisdiction, in which opinion we coincide. It is a matter which each grand lodge must decide for itself.

M. W. B. F. Wakefield, Passaic, Grand Master; R. W. T. H. R. Redway, Trenton, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. R. A. Shirrefs, Elizabeth, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW MEXICO, 1904.

The twenty-seventh annual communication was held at Albuquerque, Oct. 17th and 18th, M. W. J. C. Slack, Grand Master. Fourteen lodges represented; twenty-two on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership fourteen hundred and thirty-one; gain one hundred and seventy-four. Receipts \$2,240.

The grand master reports, among dispensations refused, one for joint occupancy with the Catholic church. He terms it a peculiar request, and the correspondence is omitted from the printed proceedings.

Seven decisions were reported, only one of general interest. In the case of a candidate who was taken ill near the completion of the first section of the master's degree, the proceedings being suspended for the evening, it was held that the degree might be finished at a regular stated communication, but not at a special. The reason assigned, that

the records would show that he was made at neither a regular or special communication, but a combination of both, savors somewhat of hair splitting.

Upon the subject of perpetual jurisdiction the grand master strikes from the shoulder:

I desire to say that two wrongs do not make a right, and I fail to see wherein I should concur with the acts of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, when all the evidence show that it is an injustice done to a very deserving and upright young man, and this rule of perpetual jurisdiction is certainly contrary to the true principles of masonry. Freemasonry professes to leave all of their applicants as good as they found them. For that one reason we are strictly forbidden to make known to the profane their rejection. In fact, the penalty for so doing is the greatest within the power of masonry, viz., expulsion. Now, has the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania left this young man in as good condition as they found him? I answer, no. They have endeavored to place a ban on him that would follow him through life, and that, perhaps, through the spite work of some brother who is the man's inferior and has abused the sacred privilege of the ballot box, and I wish to further state that a brother casting a black ball from unworthy motives commits a threefold* masonic offense, intensified by the fact that it is a coward's act, struck from ambush, and in the dark.

The grand secretary was authorized to procure additional furniture for his office; the compensation of the chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence was fixed at \$100; charters were granted the two lodges under dispensation; the recommendation to multiply the one copy of the official ritual in the hands of the committee was vetoed by the committee on grand master's address; thanks were extended to the local brethren for their many courtesies; and a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master.

The grand secretary's statistics do not agree with those given last year, having gained a lodge and twenty-six members in some unaccountable manner.

Bro. W. H. Seamon handed down his eighth annual report on foreign correspondence, which the guild generally will regret to learn is his last, for the present at least.

He has given us more pertinent information upon Mexican masonry than all the other writers combined, and his papers upon that subject will remain as text books for years to come. The following paragraphs are reproduced from the fraternal review of Minnesota:

The address of the grand master was fully up to the average high standing of that jurisdiction.

He commends the correspondence reports and the records of the Masonic Veteran Association, both of which are valuable additions to masonic literature.

The grand lodge favored reciprocity by the present methods of waivers of jurisdiction, doubting the propriety of specific legislation, and we agree with the committee that there is no need for legislation.

The oration of W. Bro. J. C. Bennett, published in the appendix, is well worth careful perusal. We quote only one thought.

The committee on masonic home furnishes a lengthy report covering the cost of erection, maintenance, etc., of the various homes in the United States. Masons interested in this subject should peruse it.

As usual Bro. Irving Todd furnishes the correspondence report, carefully noting all acts of general interest, and commenting briefly when comment seemed appropriate. He reviews New Mexico for 1902, finding nothing of particular interest requiring criticism.

We close this volume with regret, as there is nothing from the Masonic Veteran Association, always filled with interesting reminiscences peculiarly attractive to me.

Bro. Seamon holds that, while not possessing the right under the law, every decent non-affiliate should be encouraged to visit, so long as he is not objectionable to the lodge; that the best working lodges are generally found in those jurisdictions which use the mouth to ear method; that there is a tendency toward too much legislation by grand lodges; that there is not another jurisdiction in the United States, if in the world, that gives such striking example of generosity as does California, to which all of us will agree; that reports of grand representatives are perfunctory and of no value; that there is a field in this country for the English and Scottish rites, and that both are good; that masonic lodges could run club rooms as successfully as do other organizations; that Valle of Mexico is the only grand lodge

in that jurisdiction worthy of recognition; that a conviction in court is admissible evidence in lodge trials; that President Diaz, of Mexico, has not taken active part in masonry at any period of his life; that the laying of the corner stone in the Indian Territory, accompanied by the Eastern Star in regalia, is the worst ever; that the official reception of the grand commander of templars by the Grand Lodge of Iowa was improper; that a large initiatory fee would prevent much of the subsequent striking from the rolls for non-payment of dues; that men are not made good by the making of laws, but by the proper interpretation and enforcement of principles; that all master masons should travel with diplomas; that the requiring of a flag as part of the lodge furniture is smacking of pharisaical patriotism; that the practice of attending church in regalia is commendable, inasmuch as some masons are brought out that would not otherwise see the inside of the building until after they were dead; that Belgium should not be recognized under any conditions, for the reason that it practices a masonry with ideals quite different from ours; that making masons at sight is not a prerogative, but a fiction that has drifted into the fraternity, and comes from no reliable source; and that the degree of past master is part of the installation ceremony, and should only be conferred upon masters elect.

M.°. W.°. G. W. Ward, Las Vegas, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. A. A. Keen, Albuquerque, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. H. Wroth, Albuquerque, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1904.

A special communication was held at Sydney, July 20th, the centenary of the dawn of free masonry in Australia. Over thirty-five hundred brethren were present, including the governor and several distinguished visitors from adjoining jurisdictions. A valuable historical address was delivered by the grand master, and the grand officers were installed.

At the September quarterly the grand master reported the issuance of warrants to five new lodges; the salaries of the grand secretary and deputy grand secretary were increased £100 each in recognition of their faithful services; and the usual reports were presented and approved.

A special communication was held Oct. 9th for the purpose of harmonizing the differences between the grand lodge and Columbian Lodge No. 656 E. C., but no action taken.

At the December quarterly the issuance of four warrants to new lodges was reported, one reissued, and one surrendered.

At the March quarterly one new warrant was reported, and two reissued; the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized.

A special communication was held June 7th to nominate grand officers, and at the June quarterly they were elected.

The number of lodges is given at one hundred and ninety-eight, an increase of nine during the year. Membership ten thousand and forty-four; gain six hundred and seventy-six. Receipts £2,915.

The report on foreign correspondence was submitted by the joint committee, Minnesota being reviewed by Bro. A. M. Howarth, who is responsible for the following paragraphs:

The foregoing rule fits only Jews and Christians, and does not in any way provide for the good Mahomedan mason and his God of the Koran, neither does it make any provision for the pious minded Unified God worshipping freemasons amongst the Hindoos, Parsees, and Brahmins, in the principal cities and towns of British India. Each of these Asiatic craftsmen has been obligated upon the volume of the sacred law of his creed, and to him his oath is as sacred and inviolable as are the teachings of Moses and the prophets, laid down in our own priceless and greatest guiding light to masonic life.

Though the grand master's decision re age qualification may be in strict accordance with Minnesota usage, it does not agree with that of New South Wales. We recognize twenty-one years as the lawful age, with the qualifying exception of a Lewis, who, as a reward for the faithful performance of filial obligations, is entitled at eighteen years to make petition and be accepted before any other person, however dignified.

The M. W. Grand Master, Bro. Countryman, is probably the greatest visiting grand master in the craft; eleven thousand, two hundred miles and eighty-five constituent lodges for the year, the largest gathering being at the raising of six brothers of one family to the sublime degree of master masons, truly an event unique in the annals of the craft, unless it be another meeting at which he attended to witness a worshipful master raise his one hundredth candidate.

He also spoke strongly of that constantly growing evil in free-masonry, viz., the ever increasing army of non-affiliates. * * * We are pleased to extend the hand of charity and brotherly love, but there is an abuse and a misdirection of charity when we give a free banquet to a long established non-affiliate, who, while in receipt of regular income, never omits to be present to receive the loaves and fishes meant for the deserving ones.

The celebration of the Golden Jubilee was a very remarkable event, any amount of bunting, historical addresses and papers, esoteric and oratorical contributions, all of which are published in the proceedings, together with the numerous pictures of historical personages who have been connected with grand lodges. This work is a valuable and interesting contribution to masonic literature, one to be closely searched by the student and cherished by every Minnesota mason. The frontispiece of the book is a very fine photogravure of M. W. Bro. and Grand Master A. D. Countryman. Strewn through the pages are the photographs of all, excepting the first, of the twenty-four grand masters of Minnesota Grand Lodge since 1853.

The committee on foreign correspondence publish a review of sister grand lodge proceedings, extending through eighty-one pages, and edited by Bro. Irving Todd. Half a page is kindly devoted to a short analysis of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales.

We have no Mahomedans, Hindoos, Parsees, or Brahmins in this jurisdiction, and a Lewis must wait with patience for the proper time.

In Minnesota a non-affiliate may not visit any one lodge more than three times, nor at all after a residence of six months in the jurisdiction, which debars him from a regular attendance at masonic banquets. The restriction is considered a good one.

Bro. Howarth will find the portrait of Bro. A. E. Ames, our first grand master, facing page twenty of the Golden Jubilee.

M.: W.: J. C. Remington was reëlected Grand Master; V.: W.: A. H. Bray, Grand Secretary; both of Sydney.

NEW YORK, 1905.

The one hundred and twenty-fourth annual communication was held at New York, May 2d, 3d, and 4th, M.: W.: F. H. Robinson, Grand Master. Number of lodges represented not stated; seven hundred and sixty-seven on the roll. Ten past grand masters and our representative present.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership one hundred and thirty-two thousand, six hundred, and eighty-seven; gain six thousand, five hundred, and ten. Receipts \$104,726.85.

The portraits are of the grand master and a past grand master.

The grand master announced that the constitutional amendment slightly changing the grand lodge revenues had been adopted, and that the penal code of the state had been amended so as to apply to the solicitation of candidates or the conferring of degrees by clandestine lodges; the grand secretary reported that \$1,333.05 had been subscribed for a memorial to D. D. Tompkins, a deceased past grand master, and \$6,098.50 to purchase the site for a masonic sanatorium; a pleasant visit was made by twenty children from the masonic home at Utica; the reports of the home shows three hundred and three inmates, maintenance \$72,367.78; the committee on antiquities reported the completion of its catalogue, a very interesting and valuable document; the report of the grand historian brings the record down to Lodge No. 110, and is full of long forgotten data; the grand officers were elected by acclamation, the grand treasurer declining according to custom; five charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; the committee on appeals reported that not a single case had been submitted for consideration, a gratifying showing for this large commonwealth; the custodians of the work reported that the monitor was being revised, that there was no objection to

the wearing of costumes, and that the use of a dummy in the third degree be prohibited; several important amendments to the constitution were approved for submission to the lodges; twenty-one memorial pages were inserted for prominent deceased brethren; the committee on antiquities declined to give up the original minute book of American Union Lodge No. 1 to an Ohio lodge of the same name; the special committee reported that nearly \$17,000 was raised by a knights templar's ball, given for the benefit of the masonic home; the committee on grievances reported an entire lack of business; the applications of the Grand Lodge of Queensland and the Grand Lodge of France for recognition were denied; the committee on jurisprudence declined to permit visitation with clandestine lodges claiming to hold charters under the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, or to interfere with the perpetual jurisdiction regulations of other states; and the committee of past grand masters, which under a proposed constitutional amendment will become the most important standing committee of the grand lodge, declined to have anything to do with the erection or maintenance of the new sanatorium, but the grand lodge resolved to act as custodian of the funds, which are to be raised by voluntary contributions.

Bro. J. B. Anthony presented his annual report on foreign correspondence, the translations being by Bro. Emil Frankel. It is his last and one of the best. Minnesota is complimented as follows:

The grand master evinces in his annual address a thorough comprehension of the duties of his office.

The special committee on masonic home presented a valuable and interesting history of homes in all the jurisdictions, together with the cost of maintenance in each. Upon this point we entertain the opinion that no just comparison can be made, as the governing factors—location, classification, scope of work—are not identical.

W. J. C. Bennett, grand orator, delivered an eloquent address upon Freemasonry, from which we reproduce one thought.

W. Irving Todd's report on correspondence is an able review of the proceedings of fifty-seven grand lodges, including New York for 1903.

Bro. Anthony died May 26th of heart disease, just after performing funeral services for one of the home inmates, and was sixty-seven years of age. He was grand master in 1880, had written the reports on foreign correspondence for seventeen years, had been superintendent of the masonic home since the opening in 1893, and was one of the most distinguished masons of the greatest jurisdiction in this country. The guild mourn the loss of one of its ablest and most courteous members.

M. W. F. H. Robinson, Hornellsville, Grand Master, and M. W. E. M. L. Ehlers, New York, Grand Secretary, were reelected.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1905.

The one hundred and eighteenth annual communication was held at Raleigh, Jan. 10th, 11th, and 12th, M. W. W. S. Liddell, Grand Master. Two hundred and twenty-seven lodges represented; three hundred and thirty-three on the roll. Ten past grand masters and our representative present.

Eight dispensations for new lodges; one charter revived and six surrendered. Membership fourteen thousand, five hundred, and seventy-eight; gain nine hundred and fifteen. Receipts \$9,435.55.

The death of Bro. M. W. Ransom, just a year after the eleventh hour raising, was announced. His portrait is given as the frontispiece.

The address is a business paper of a little more than ten pages, and seven of the eight decisions are upon the physical qualifications of candidates.

An urgent personal appeal of the grand master in behalf of the temple only brought in subscriptions of \$5,000 instead of the anticipated \$50,000; the vote upon the prohibition resolution was one hundred and twenty lodges for, thirty-three against, and one hundred and eighty not reporting; the reports of the Oxford Orphan Asylum show two hundred and sixty-six inmates, maintenance \$31,055.14; a very read-

able address was delivered by Bro. T. C. Linn, grand orator; the inauguration of the governor, a brother of only a few weeks' standing, was attended in a body; five charters were granted, and five dispensations continued; the salary of the grand secretary was increased from \$700 to \$1,200; thanks were extended to a brother by a rising vote for his donation of a scholarship in the conservatory of music to some girl from the orphan asylum; a silver service was presented to the treasurer of the orphan asylum as a token of love and esteem; a vote of sympathy was extended to a past grand treasurer in his declining years, with an appropriation of \$10 per month; the salary of the grand treasurer was fixed at \$200 per year; and master masons were granted the privilege of wearing their aprons with the corner up.

Bro. J. A. Collins presented his ninth report on foreign correspondence, a valuable contribution to current masonic literature. Of Minnesota he writes:

A handsome portrait of the retiring grand master, H. R. Adams, forms the frontispiece. His address, which received the commendation of grand lodge, is a full report of his official acts for the year. After extending a welcome to the brethren, he presented forcibly some of the salient duties of a mason; paid an eloquent tribute to the dead of the fraternity, and called up grand lodge while he read the names of those who had fallen on the field of duty in the Grand Lodge of Minnesota within a year.

The question of the establishment of a masonic home is a live one, and the record shows eighteen pages covered in advocacy of the enterprise, but the project was defeated by "a decided majority." The time may come when Minnesota will need a home, and when that time comes the craft will not neglect its duty. That time is not now, and we commend the courage of the brethren who stopped the threatened stampede.

The report on correspondence of one hundred pages, in which the proceedings of fifty-seven grand lodges are epitomized, is the work of Bro. Irving Todd, who is enabled to condense in a few paragraphs the gist of the North Carolina proceedings for 1903. Aside from this work he made a special report on the Grand Lodge of Western Australia, and on his recommendation it was duly recognized as a regular and independent grand lodge. After having carefully read all the record of the grand lodge in reference to the masonic

home, we are willing to subscribe to this statement of Bro. Todd, which we find under Illinois:

The conservative element of the craft believe that the Minnesota plan of dispensing relief is the most satisfactory that could be adopted in this jurisdiction, at a mere fraction of the cost of erecting and maintaining a home.

M. W. W. S. Liddell, Charlotte, Grand Master, and R. W. J. C. Drewry, Raleigh, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. J. A. Collins, Enfield, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1905.

The sixteenth annual communication was held at Grand Forks, June 27th and 28th, M. W. J. W. Foley, Grand Master. Sixty-four lodges represented; seventy-two on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership five thousand, one hundred, and fifty-three; gain three hundred and six. Receipts \$5,615.37.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The grand master decided that an entered apprentice who had lost his left leg since initiation could not be advanced, which was overruled by the jurisprudence committee, who rightfully held that an injury would not operate against one who has been informed that he is a mason.

The library tax of ten cents per member was continued for a further period of five years, with an unexpended balance of \$881.92; recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico and the Grand Lodge of Queensland; the request of a lodge to hold meetings in a village six miles distant at stated intervals was not granted, as being contrary to the customs and usages of the craft; the date of expiration of dispensations for new lodges was fixed at May 31st; the grand lecturer was instructed to look after the business affairs of the subordinate lodges in connection with his other duties; charters were granted to the two lodges under dispensation; the correspondence reports in

future were limited to approved decisions and important legislation, at the instance of their writer; it was voted to hold alternate sessions at Fargo and Grand Forks for the next five years; the by-laws were amended permitting the reception of a petition of the son or nephew of an affiliated master mason during the last half of his twentieth year, provided the initiation is deferred until he is twenty-one; a brief oration was delivered by Bro. W. L. Stockwell, grand orator, who is described as state superintendent of public instruction; thanks were tendered the local brethren for their royal entertainment, with an appropriation of \$10 towards expenses; and among the recorded events was an awful hail storm at the conclusion of the ballot for deputy grand master, breaking in the front windows and scattering the ballots, but whether intended as applause or displeasure at the choice is not apparent.

Bro. R. M. Carothers submitted his first correspondence report on the new plan with two years to draw upon, and then a very poor substitute for the customary review. When he has but one it will be thin indeed.

M. W. L. A Jacobson, Hope, Grand Master; R. W. F. J. Thompson, Fargo, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. R. M. Carothers, Grand Forks, fraternal correspondent.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1904.

The thirty-ninth annual communication was held at Halifax, June 8th and 9th, M. W. William Ross, Grand Master. Fifty lodges represented; sixty-four on the roll, Five past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership four thousand, one hundred, and seventy-one; gain two hundred and eighty-nine. Receipts \$4,140.80.

The death of Bro. C. J. MacDonald, past grand master and their first grand secretary, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and grand secretary.

The address is a brief account of official acts performed in the intervals of parliamentary duties; but one decision was reported.

A jewel was presented a brother by his local lodge, having completed his fiftieth year as a master mason; several distinguished brethren from Prince Edward Island were welcomed as visitors; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Iowa by wire; an annual appropriation of \$900 was made to the proposed home for aged men, and the lodges asked to contribute twenty-five cents for each member on their rolls to reimburse the grand lodge; the rank of past district deputy grand master was conferred upon three brethren for faithful services; and suits of regalia were voted to the grand treasurer and the grand chaplain.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by the grand secretary as a part of his regular duties, a well written paper of nearly two hundred pages. Under the head of Minnesota he says:

The grand master delivered an excellent address, giving a full account of his official acts during his term of office. He paid a fitting tribute to the memory of the many eminent members of the craft who have received the final summons during the year. Speaking of masonic funerals the grand master says: * * * We desire to call the attention of the brethren of our own jurisdiction, but more especially to the members of city lodges, to the above appropriate advice, which we hope may have a good effect.

The committee, appointed last year to make enquiry and take into consideration the feasibility and advisability of establishing a masonic home, submitted an exhaustive report which led to considerable discussion, ending in the adoption of the motion to indefinitely postpone the whole matter. The well deserved thanks of grand lodge were tendered to the committee for their able report.

The grand orator, W. Bro. J. C. Bennett, delivered an oration prepared with great care. It contains much valuable information, presented in words which interest and instruct the reader at the same time.

Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of committee on foreign correspondence, presented an excellent report, reviewing the proceedings of fifty-seven sister grand lodges, including that of Nova Scotia.

Bro. Mowbray believes that, although the grand representatives have practically nothing to do, he would not like to see the time honored custom abolished; that the grand master will have to apply the axe to some of their representatives for non attendance upon the sessions of the grand lodges to which they are accredited; that no church is justified in laying a corner stone on Sunday; that perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material should not apply to candidates after their removal to another jurisdiction; that none of the grand lodges in Mexico should be recognized until placed on a satisfactory basis; and that no good object can be served by public installations.

M. W. C. R. Smith, Amherst, Grand Master; R. W. Thomas Mowbray, Halifax, re-elected Grand Secretary.

OHIO, 1905.

The ninety-sixth annual communication was held at Cincinnati, Oct. 18th and 19th, M. W. C. G. Ballou, Grand Master. Four hundred and ninety-two lodges represented; five hundred and three on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership sixty-one thousand, six hundred, and thirty-six; gain three thousand, three hundred, and ninety-three. Receipts \$48,106.90.

The death of Bro. R. C. Lemmon, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the late past grand master. There are also cuts of the Cunningham medal, the grand lodge apron, and the new jewels.

Fraternal greetings were exchanged with Wisconsin and Kentucky; a handsome gold medal was presented to Bro. W. M. Cunningham, past grand master, a member of the grand lodge fifty years without missing a session; the committee on aprons and jewels reported their purchase at a total cost of \$476.65; the report of the home shows one hundred and sixty inmates, maintenance \$47,499.69; two charters and one dispensation were granted; a special com-

mittee was appointed to arrange for their centennial celebration in 1908; the explanation of the Grand Lodge Alpina as to the admission of representatives of clandestine bodies at the Geneva congress and its affiliation with the Grand Orient of France were accepted, and its position indorsed by a resolution of congratulation; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master; the committee on ritual reported its revision and printing ready for distribution; thanks were tendered the local brethren for courtesies and entertainment; an additional appropriation of \$205 was made toward the grand master's expenses of last year; and a committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions for a monument to the late Bro. S. S. Williams.

Bro. W. M. Cunningham prefaces his exhaustive report on foreign correspondence with a portion of the Ancient Charges of Masonry, published by the Grand Lodge of Ireland in 1730, with interesting letters from Bro. W. J. Chetwode-Crawley, Bro. W. J. Hughan, and Bro. R. F. Gould, and several brief papers on current masonic topics. The following paragraphs are taken from the fraternal review of Minnesota:

At a session of the first day "an able oration" was delivered by the grand orator, Bro. L. G. Hoffmann.

The report on foreign correspondence submitted by the scholarly chairman of the committee, R. W. Bro. Irving Todd, is a courteous synopsis, in a paper of eighty pages, of the printed proceedings of fifty-five grand lodges. Fraternal notice is extended to Ohio for 1904 in a brief but courteous synopsis of its proceedings, with commendatory mention of your committee on foreign correspondence. Although Bro. Todd is as usual exceedingly chary in his comments, yet when given they are forcible, as when in one instance he says that the decisions reported by the grand master were "not worth the space they occupy in the proceedings."

The volume under review is handsomely supplemented with the proceedings of the twelfth and thirteenth annual reunions of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota, illustrated with a portrait of its third president, Bro. E. P. Capen, and its fourth president, Bro. T. C. Clark. The portrait, with an appropriate In Memoriam of the late Mrs. Eleanor C. (Berrien) Pierson, wife of the late eminent

masonic scholar, M.°. W.°. Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, is also contained in its proceedings.

Under the head of Nova Scotia he pertinently remarks:

Whilst a grand representative does not in any manner assume the functions of the grand secretary in official correspondence between grand lodges or grand masters, he is the official representative of the appointing grand body should any exigency arise requiring the exercise of diplomatic functions. His presence at the grand communications of the body near which he is the representative is a fraternal courtesy between grand lodges, and, as it is usually the only official duty which he is called upon to discharge, his regular attendance upon grand lodge functions should be deemed a duty to be faithfully discharged or the office resigned.

The following reminiscence is given under Pennsylvania:

As now recalled by the writer the last official reception of an Ohio past grand master in the Grand Lodge of Ohio was that of Bro. W. B. Hubbard, when Bro. George Rex was grand master. Bro. Hubbard, who has never had a superior as a masonic jurist, believed in masonic formalities as adding dignity to the institution as well as honor to the recipient, and upon the occasion mentioned had his name announced before his entrance, and was officially received. Whilst dignified, yet courteous, affable, and always polite, he was always ready in his assertion of official dignity. Upon one occasion, whilst attending a banquet when grand master, the master of the lodge, having permitted him to be seated among the brethren without regard to place at the tables, during the banquet officiously remarked, "Grand Master Hubbard, I ought, I suppose, to have asked you to have this seat at the head of the table;" the answer was quick and sharp, "where *I* sit, worshipful sir, is the head of the table."

M.°. W.°. L. P. Schaus, Newark, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Cunningham, Newark, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

OKLAHOMA, 1905.

The thirteenth annual communication was held at Guthrie, Feb. 14th and 15th, M.°. W.°. J. F. Mathews,

Grand Master. Eighty-four lodges represented; one hundred and one on the roll. Six past grand masters present, our representative included.

Fifteen dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership five thousand, six hundred, and eighty-one; gain eight hundred and fifty-eight. Receipts \$6,996.80.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The grand master was unable to preside the first day on account of illness; eight local decisions were reported; the defalcation of the late grand treasurer was estimated at over \$4,500, caused by the failure of a bank of which he was cashier and manager; the suspension of a treasurer and secretary for refusal to turn over the funds for investment per vote of the lodge was approved; sixteen charters were granted and two dispensations continued; greetings were telegraphed to the Grand Lodge of Kansas; a resolution of thanks was voted to the citizens and brethren for their generous hospitality; and a committee was appointed to confer with the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory with a view to consolidation.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. F. C. Hunt, with a three page review of Minnesota for 1904, in which he says:

Grand Orator Bro. J. C. Bennett delivered the oration of the occasion, holding his audience spellbound over half an hour. We clip the following extract as highly worthy of reproduction. * * *

The guild will learn with pleasure from the report of Grand Secretary Montgomery that he has been partially restored to health. For the fifteenth time he submits his report as grand secretary, and which is complete as usual. He states that the grand lodge register is fully posted to date, and that another book will soon be required. We think our Minnesota brethren will at last be probably driven to the card record system.

The correspondence report is again furnished by Bro. Irving Todd, for the committee. He uses one hundred pages in a review of the principal grand jurisdictions, which is interesting and well written.

M. W. G. H. Phillips, Pawnee, Grand Master; R. W. J. S. Hunt, Guthrie, reelected Grand Secretary.

OREGON, 1905.

The fifty-fifth annual communication was held at Portland, June 14th, 15th, and 16th, M. W. Thomas Gray, Grand Master. One hundred and one lodges represented; one hundred and five on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge; one consolidation. Membership seven thousand, three hundred, and twenty-two; gain three hundred and sixty-nine. Receipts \$8,671.37.

One decision was reported as follows:

That masonic burial should be denied any master mason holding membership in any other jurisdiction, who at the time of his death was engaged in an occupation prohibited to masons by our penal code; notwithstanding the restriction does not exist in the grand lodge from which he hails.

This is one of the complications resulting from the prohibition legislation recently adopted by a number of our grand lodges, Minnesota included, a departure from the original plan of masonry that every lodge should be the judge of the qualifications of its own members.

The educational fund was reported at \$99,324.75; greetings were exchanged by wire with the Grand Lodge of Washington and the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin; a brief address was delivered by Bro. George Wall, grand orator; an amendment to the constitution was adopted limiting jurisdiction over rejected material to five years; the by-laws were amended restoring the past master's degree as a prerequisite to installation; the invitation of the exposition managers to appoint a masonic day was declined, for reasons well known to the craft; a charter and dispensation were granted; the proposition to abolish the district deputies was not approved by the jurisprudence committee, nor that requiring documentary evidence from visitors; regrets were extended to a past grand master unable to be

present; and an appropriation of \$100 was made for a stone over the grave of a past grand treasurer, and \$600 additional for the rest cottage on the exposition grounds, which we found to be a model of convenience and a centre of good fellowship.

The report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. J. M. Hodson, a very readable production, from which the following extracts are reproduced:

The book is further ornamented by those of Bros. E. P. Capen and T. C. Clark, third and fourth presidents of the Masonic Veteran Association, and Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson, a pioneer of Minnesota, the wife of one of its early grand masters, and a woman of such high character that her memory is still preserved by the fraternity of the state. She passed over to the silent majority in September, 1904.

Grand Master McGonagle delivered an excellent address filling eleven pages, in which he touched tenderly the memory of departed worth, and details his experiences for the year.

The folly of not permitting lodge officers to resign was fully illustrated by a case in which the three principal officers had removed from the state, and he could not grant a dispensation for an election of others, for as he says, "They were still living, and could at any time return and demand their offices." He did not say how he managed to perpetuate the lodge. The only way we know of, and which he probably did, would be to appoint a special deputy grand master to open and preside.

Bro. L. G. Hoffmann, of St. Paul, grand orator, delivered a strictly first class oration, worthy of the attention of his hearers, and if it were not so long worth reproducing, but it will not permit mutilation, hence we pass it with the suggestion that it was the best we have read this year.

Bro. Irving Todd submits eighty pages of excellent condensed correspondence. Oregon for 1904 comes in for courteous treatment. our proceedings reviewed and our report quoted on several points, and, as no criticism is indulged in, we presume indorsed.

Our regulations do not permit a master or wardens to dimit or resign during their term of office, but the constitution provides that in their absence a lodge may be opened by one of its past masters. So there was no need of a special deputy in the case referred to.

Two pages are devoted to the annual convention of the Past Grand Masters' Association, which receives a new member annually under their system of rotation in office.

M.: W.: W. H. Flanagan, Grants Pass, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. F. Robinson, Eugene, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. M. Hodson, Portland, committee on foreign correspondence.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1904.

A special communication was held, Jan. 14th, for the purpose of attending the funeral of Bro. C. B. Day, past grand master, another July 23d, to attend the funeral of Bro. C. M. Swain, junior grand warden, and still another, Oct. 5th, to attend the funeral of Bro. G. E. Wagner, past grand master. The mortality among their permanent membership has been very great during the past two or three years.

At the December quarterly grand officers were elected; the Grand Master of the District of Columbia was received with the customary honors; a resolution of sympathy was transmitted to the grand treasurer in his continued affliction, preventing an attendance upon the session; the Girard bequest was reported at \$64,422.68, the grand charity fund at \$79,598.21, the Patton fund at \$103,429.58, the Taylor bequest at \$13,195.93, and the Singleton bequest at \$26,401.17; a large number of accessions were reported by the committee on library; a proposed amendment to the Ahiman Rezon levying a per capita tax of fifty cents for the masonic home fund was defeated; and petitions for two new lodges were received and referred.

The annual communication was held at Philadelphia, Dec. 27th, R.: W.: J. W. Brown, Grand Master. Eighty-three lodges represented; four hundred and forty-seven on the roll. Two past grand masters present.

Membership sixty-seven thousand, seven hundred, and six; gain four thousand, six hundred, and nine. Receipts \$169,746.31.

The portraits are of the grand master, a past grand master, and the late junior grand warden.

The address is a practical and comprehensive statement of the business of the past term, without any attempt at embellishment or posing for the galleries. Of the preposterous edict reported by his predecessor last year the grand master says:

It is not only my duty, but yours, who are members of our ancient fraternity, to prevent the introduction of innovations, and it is also our duty to prevent the abolition or obliteration of any of the ancient symbols. I have long felt that it is the tendency of the age to lose sight of some of these ancient symbols. I have particularly in mind that the letter G was declared, not many years ago, not to be a masonic symbol in Pennsylvania. With that decision I have long differed, and at this time I take the occasion to restore it to its proper place as a masonic symbol, signifying God, or geometry. The letter G was conspicuous in the lodge room wherein I was made a mason, and it remained there, unquestioned, for many years, and until the use of the room was abandoned. In connection with the compasses and the square, emblematical of the great lights in freemasonry, it has been the most common symbol of freemasonry known. It is recognized by all our sister jurisdictions in this country, and was always embroidered on the apron of the grand master until after the decision affecting it was made.

Among the rulings was that the only lodge officers permitted to be elected and appointed are those named in the Ahiman Rezon; that lodge rooms or funds cannot be used for any but masonic purposes; that the order of the Eastern Star cannot meet in a lodge room or any part of it, not being recognized in the jurisdiction; that no brother can be advanced save in the lodge of which he is a member; that there is no such service as a lodge of sorrow in that jurisdiction; that a candidate must be twenty-one years of age at the time his petition is presented to the lodge; that a dispensation cannot be issued to hold an election for senior warden, but that the junior warden must fill the west for the balance of the year; that a dispensation is granted to a lodge, and not to its officers; that no dispensation can be granted to make a mason of one who is physically disqualified; that a past master cannot open a lodge in the absence of the master and wardens;

that masonic ceremonies cannot be used in the laying of a corner stone of a church on Sunday; that newspaper publications of any lodge proceedings are prohibited; that a man's residence is where he votes; that an entered apprentice is a member of the lodge and subject to dues; that lodge members cannot be compelled to pay dues in advance; and that the use of vocal and instrumental music shall cease in the lodges during the work of the degrees.

The Grand Master of Delaware and several past grand officers from neighboring jurisdictions were received as visitors.

A well written report on correspondence was again submitted by Bro. J. M. Lamberton, which we have carefully read with interest, noting the following paragraphs for reproduction herewith:

The address of the grand master is well conceived, and is eloquent in its introduction. We may also say that it is up to the Iowa standard in poetry.

The proposal to pay the district deputy grand masters mileage and per diem was strongly advocated, and we should think it would be a very wise plan.

The grand orator, Bro. J. C. Bennett, delivered an interesting oration, which we are told "held his audience spellbound for over half an hour."

The report of the committee on foreign correspondence is by the chairman, M. W. Past Grand Master Bro. Irving Todd, who summarizes excellently and clips judiciously, naturally giving much of what others say about Minnesota, which we take it is what the brethren of Minnesota want, and the report is primarily for them. We are glad to say that this year we have, to quote Bro. Hodson, of Oregon, "a little more Todd."

While thanking the brother for the implied compliment, we must repeat what has been often said before that committee membership is the only position ever held by the writer in grand lodge.

Bro. Lamberton insists that there are but six grand lodge officers, the elective, and that the others are officers of the grand lodge; that it is not a question of perpetual jurisdiction, but of perpetual objection; in both of which he is technically correct.

R. W. J. W. Brown, Grand Master, and R. W. W. A. Sinn, Grand Secretary, were reëlected; both of Philadelphia. Bro. J. M. Lamberton, Harrisburg, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1905.

The thirtieth annual communication was held at Souris, June 26th, M. W. Benjamin Rogers, Grand Master. The fourteen lodges all represented. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership six hundred and eight; gain four. Receipts \$344.30.

The dismission of a senior warden and affiliation with another lodge before his term of office had expired was held to be irregular and his subsequent election as master to be void, although he was allowed to retain his present membership and rank of past warden; thanks were returned to the ladies for their hospitality; and a committee was appointed to revise the constitution and by-laws, and prepare forms and ceremonies for use of the lodges.

M. W. C. H. S. Sterns, Souris, Grand Master; R. W. Neil MacKelvie, Summerside, reëlected Grand Secretary.

QUEBEC, 1905.

The thirty-fifth annual communication was held at Montreal, Jan. 25th, M. W. J. B. Tresidder, Grand Master. Forty-nine lodges represented; fifty-six on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge; one charter surrendered. Membership four thousand, seven hundred, and eight; gain two hundred and seventy-five. Receipts \$3,802.75.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

An appropriate discourse was delivered by Bro. E. H. Croly, district grand chaplain; the application of the Grand

Lodge of Queensland for recognition was refused, and that of the Grand Lodge of Guatemala deferred; an additional appropriation of \$150 was made for the monument to Bro. J. H. Graham, their first grand master; a testimonial was voted to Bro. I. H. Stearns for his faithful services as grand treasurer during the past twenty-five years; three trustees were appointed to receive donations of stock in the masonic temple at Montreal, with a view of transferring its control to the grand lodge; a digest of rulings and decisions was submitted by the special committee appointed for that purpose; it was ordered that in future not more than one candidate be obligated in any of the degrees at one time; the ruling of the grand master, that an entered apprentice is entitled to a dimit, was held by the committee on jurisprudence to be in accordance with the constitution, with the suggestion that an amendment would be in order; and the name of a resident of Maine, who had obtained the degrees in a Montreal lodge by misrepresentation, was ordered stricken from the rolls, and the committee of enquiry censured for its negligence.

The usual brief report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, and the following paragraphs are taken from his half page review of Minnesota:

His address is a very interesting one, containing, as it does, the record of quite a busy term of office.

A brief but carefully prepared report of foreign correspondence is submitted by Bro. Irving Todd, which includes courteous notice of Quebec's proceedings.

M. W. D. A. Manson, Mansonville, Grand Master; R. W. W. H. Whyte, Montreal, re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, Quebec, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

RHODE ISLAND, 1905.

The one hundred and fifteenth annual communication was held at Providence, May 15th, R. W. J. W. Freeman, acting

Grand Master. Thirty-three lodges represented; thirty-seven on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership six thousand, two hundred, and eighty-six; gain one hundred and ninety-five. Receipts \$3,513.95.

The death of Bro. J. E. Tillinghast, grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the late grand master. There is also a cut of the Webb Monument at Providence.

The salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$750, with \$50 to the grand treasurer; a standing order was adopted requiring an elected candidate to present himself for initiation within six months; the \$1,400 indebtedness of the grand lodge was reported paid; and an appropriation of \$200 was made for continuing the grand lodge reprint.

M. W. J. W. Freeman, Central Falls, Grand Master; R. W. S. P. Williams, Providence, reelected Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1904.

The one hundred and twenty-eighth annual communication was held at Charleston, Dec. 13th and 14th, M. W. J. R. Bellinger, Grand Master. One hundred and eighty-eight lodges represented; one hundred and ninety-one on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership seven thousand, nine hundred, and thirty-seven; gain six hundred and eighty-six. Receipts \$12,728.20.

The death of Bro. J. A. Hoyt, past grand master, was announced.

Among the fifteen approved decisions were the following:

10. A minister of the gospel, a member of the Methodist conference, but who has no church at this time, but liable to be appointed to one at any time by the conference, is still a minister of the gospel, and as such the lodge may confer the degrees upon him without charge if its by-laws so provide, and need not pay dues for him to grand lodge, either for degrees or membership.

11. A clandestine who wears a masonic badge cannot be compelled by the lodge within whose territory he resides to cease wearing the badge. The lodge has nothing to do with it.

The first of these rulings, while in accord with the law and practice of several southern jurisdictions, is objectionable as creating a privileged class among a fraternity whose foundation stone is equality. There is no reason for exempting a preacher from the payment of fees and dues that does not apply equally to a considerable proportion of the members of a country lodge.

The veteran grand secretary was not in attendance, owing to serious illness; Bro. E. W. Durant, past grand master of Minnesota, was welcomed as a visitor; an invitation to a smoker was received from the commercial club; several constitutional amendments modifying the physical requirements of candidates were proposed, but failed to receive the necessary two-thirds vote; a silver service was presented to the junior past grand master; oil portraits of four past grand masters were accepted on behalf of the grand lodge; a resolution of sympathy to the absent grand secretary was adopted by a rising vote; four charters were granted, three dispensations continued, and one dormant lodge reinstated; and an appropriation of \$300 was made for a stenographer to the grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was prepared by the grand secretary, notwithstanding his illness. Of Minnesota he fraternally says:

The introductory remarks to the address are very eloquent, especially those with reference to the dead of the year.

The special committee appointed at the last annual communication to report upon the advisability of building a masonic home submitted a full and exhaustive report, in which they enter into the history of the formation and maintenance of the several homes in the various jurisdictions, and the cost and expenses of the same. This report is a valuable reference paper.

This letter speaks volumes for the modesty and good sense of Bro. G. R. Metcalf.

Bro. J. C. Bennett delivered a very fine oration, filled with noble and elevated sentiments.

The report on correspondence was submitted by Bro. Irving Todd. He gives South Carolina for 1902 one page, in which we find nothing to comment upon.

M. W. J. R. Bellinger, Bamberg, Grand Master, and R. W. Charles Inglesby, Columbia, Grand Secretary, were reelected.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1905.

The thirty-first annual communication was held at Aberdeen, June 13th and 14th, M. W. I. W. Goodner, Grand Master. Eighty-one lodges represented; one hundred and one on the roll. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge; one charter surrendered. Membership five thousand, nine hundred, and fifty-seven; gain two hundred and forty-seven. Receipts \$5,424.72.

The deaths of Bro. C. A. Fisher, senior grand warden, and Bro. A. W. Coe, past grand master, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the deceased past grand master. There is also a cut of the masonic temple at Miller.

Sixteen decisions were reported, of no particular interest outside of the jurisdiction; fraternal greetings were exchanged by wire with the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin; the local brethren and citizens were thanked for the cordial welcome and generous hospitality extended; fraternal greetings were extended to the Grand Chapter O. E. S., then in session, with a response in person by a committee from that organization; a charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; a resolution to exempt members of twenty-one years standing from the payment of grand lodge dues was not concurred in; among the appropriations were \$745 for furniture and fixtures in the library, \$200 for the purchase of books, and \$100 for indexing masonic literature; and the by-laws were amended to require every lodge to take up the matter of delinquency for dues at its first stated meeting in February each year.

Another excellent report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. S. A. Brown, from which is taken the following paragraphs:

W. A. McGonagle, grand master, opens the volume with his handsome portrait.

Nine past grand masters were present and the representatives of forty-three grand lodges, in both lists of which we are pleased to find our own distinguished Bro. H. R. Wells.

The address was a purely fraternal paper, grateful for the blessings of God, for peace, harmony and prosperity.

Who says that masonry is not a progressive science? Such innovations as this [the Acacia Club of the University of Minnesota] will redound to the honor and glory of the craft wheresoever adopted.

Bro. Irving Todd gives us another of his inimitable reports on correspondence. He tells everything in few words, but seldom becomes didactic. When he takes the trouble to enlighten us upon a question he speaks with no uncertain mind. * * * South Dakota, 1904, is kindly reviewed in a page or so, and our own contentions noted in full in twelve lines.

M. W. E. D. Brookman, Vermillion, Grand Master; R. W. G. A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. S. A. Brown, Sioux Falls, committee on correspondence.

TENNESSEE, 1905.

The ninety-first annual communication was held at Nashville, Jan. 25th, 26th, and 27th, M. W. J. L. Sloan, Grand Master. Four hundred and fifteen lodges represented; four hundred and twenty-four on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership nineteen thousand, four hundred, and twenty; gain nine hundred and fifteen. Receipts \$30,069.10.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The grand master reported a very busy and profitable year. He visited one hundred and eighty-two lodges, traveling sixteen hundred and seventy miles by private conveyance, and de-

livered forty-eight public addresses on masonry. Among the incidents and observations noted are the following:

One hundred and five lodges were visited that never had a grand master to enter their lodge room before. Five of these made voluntary thank offerings to the widows and orphans' endowment fund in commemoration of the event.

I have noticed in many lodges that I visited a clan or set of brothers who appear to be more closely attached to each other than the rest of the members. This class bears many names. By some charitable to almost the extreme. It is not despondent or gloomy. It has no bitterness or venom. Now, strange to say, this gang is bitterly opposed in every lodge in which it exists. Some oppose every measure it advocates; they seem to see something wrong in every movement it favors. No matter what the gang is for, these others are agin it. They will not attend the rehearsals of the work and lectures of the gang, because they want to make changes and innovations, is the excuse. They grumble and growl at the gang, and think it is dangerous and will bear watching. My observation and experience leads me to wish that these gangs may increase in number and membership. Brother, are you a member of the gang? If not let me beg you to stop snarling and grumbling at what it does, but go and join the gang.

The following interesting paragraph is taken from the report of the grand secretary:

A very large number of my visits have been made to what is sometimes called the backwoods masons, among whom I find the principles of masonry practiced in their broadest sense. A brother is never too tired to ride ten miles on horseback to visit and nurse a sick brother, or attend lodge. It is never too cold or too hot for him to go to a brother in distress. The lodge rooms found there are the cleanest and most comfortable found anywhere, and for hospitality, brotherly love, and truth his example is worthy of imitation by many of the so-called up-to-date twentieth century city masons, who can't afford to ride four blocks on an electric car to visit the sick or attend a funeral. All honor, then, to the backwoods mason who worships his Divine Creator with zeal, and practices the cardinal virtues of free masonry with his whole soul, mind, body and strength.

The children of the home gave their annual entertainment; an edict was adopted prohibiting the grand master from making an official ruling except upon questions actually existing and

certified to him by a lodge; the committee on purchase of land for the home was granted further time; an appropriation of \$200 was made to the chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence for his excellent report; the endowment fund was reported at \$17,237.30; thanks were returned to the heirs of the late Bro. John Frizzell for their gift of plates and copyright of the text book published by him; the report of the home shows one hundred and twenty-two inmates, maintenance \$12,855.35, and an altar collection of \$150.12 was taken for its benefit; six charters and three dispensations were granted, one dispensation continued, and one charter arrested; representatives of the newly chartered lodges were allowed per diem and mileage; and \$1,000 were set aside for the endowment fund.

At the convocation of past masters a number of brethren were introduced and duly installed masters of their respective lodges, and fifty-nine new members admitted.

The twelfth annual assembly of the Masonic Veteran Association was held the second evening of the session, with an attendance of forty-four of the old boys. Nine new members were elected, and an enjoyable banquet held. Some of the toasts, judging from the titles and those responding to them, ought to have been printed as an appendix to the proceedings. Our grand lodge appropriated \$100 for this purpose at its last communication, and it was money well invested.

Bro. H. A. Chambers presented another of his able reports on foreign correspondence, with a page write up of Minnesota, from which we quote:

The largest lodge is, as it was last year, Minneapolis No. 19, at Minneapolis, with nine hundred and sixty-four members. The smallest chartered lodge is Edgerton No. 235, at Edgerton, with thirteen members. The three lodges that were smaller last year, with only three, four, and six members respectively, have outstripped Edgerton during the year.

The excellent report on foreign correspondence, consisting of only one hundred pages, is by Irving Todd, "for the committee."

This grand lodge has a grand orator. J. C. Bennett held this office in 1903, and delivered a fine oration. He, as well as Grand Master Adams, in his address, made many poetical quotations.

For fear that some one will be taking exception to our lodges reported as having less than seven members, would state that these are the number raised while the lodge is under dispensation. The petitioners are not considered as members until the lodge is constituted and receives its charter. Then, and not until then, are they dimitted from their former lodges and enrolled as members of the new lodge.

M. . W. . J. W. Irwin, Savannah, Grand Master; R. . W. . J. B. Garrett, Nashville, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. H. A. Chambers, Chattanooga, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

TEXAS, 1904.

The sixty-ninth annual communication was held at Waco, Dec. 6th, 7th, and 8th, M. . W. . William James, Grand Master. Four hundred and seventy lodges represented; six hundred and eighty-one on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present.

Sixteen dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership thirty-six thousand, four hundred, and thirty-six; gain four thousand and fifty-two. Receipts \$26,-280.50.

The death of Bro. A. J. Rose, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, the grand master elect, and two past grand masters.

There is nothing in the address, the twenty-five decisions, or the many cases of discipline for gross unmasonic conduct of more than local interest, and very much of the detailed account should never have been printed. The public highway is no place to wash dirty linen.

The new temple was dedicated the first evening, with appropriate ceremonies and addresses by the grand orator and a right reverend brother; the resolution severing fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Washington was repealed; recognition was extended to Porto Rico and Costa Rica, and the request from Queensland deferred; an interesting and valu-

able report was submitted by the committee on history: fraternal greetings were presented from the Grand Lodge of Louisiana by their senior grand warden; the building committee reported that the temple was practically completed at a cost of about \$120,000, and were tendered of vote of thanks for the faithful discharge of their duties; permission was given the grand chapter to occupy a portion of the new building, of which the grand secretary was appointed custodian; the reports of the home show one hundred and thirty-eight inmates, maintenance \$24,712.81; an appropriation of \$100 was made for a memorial window in the home to Bro. J. F. Miller, its first president; a rearrangement of the masonic districts was made, increasing the number to one hundred and three; a form of lodge by-laws, prepared by a past grand master, was approved and named after him; they are long enough for a general grand lodge; twenty-four charters were granted, and one restored; \$10,000 were transferred to the home fund, and a vote of thanks extended to the grand chapter for the donation of a similar amount; the matter of disseminating the work was referred to a special committee, to report next year; the McLeary ring was transferred; and a jewel presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on fraternal correspondence was prepared by Bro. T. M. Matthews in his usual vigorous style. He gets \$250 for about the same number of pages as our own, although set in smaller type, and earns every cent of it. Minnesota is reviewed for three years, hence a doubling up of quotations:

From sheer carelessness upon the part of the express company this volume, exactly one year old at date of this writing, has just reached us. Bro. Grand Secretary Watson writes us that, though he had several times inquired for it and the Wisconsin volume, they had been permitted to lie undelivered in the office since early last spring. Hence there was no review of it last year in our report. But, "better late than never," we take the matter up now.

With an apology for what he terms lack of ability, of just nine lines, the grand master (Ives) introduces a plain, practical account of his year's stewardship.

Bro. W. P. Roberts delivered an interesting address upon Our First Degree, Pure, Practical, and Patriotic, which is given as an appendix to the volume.

The report on correspondence, ninety-one pages, is again the work of Bro. Irving Todd. He briefly, but with a good deal of thoroughness, reviews the proceedings of fifty-seven grand lodges. He uses his scissors pretty freely, but he also comments clearly and forcibly whenever he deems comment necessary or appropriate. He has pronounced opinions of his own upon all questions masonic, and is not at all chary in expressing them, and as we think, is generally right. His review of Texas is for 1900, the administration of Bro. Lusk, from whose address he clips the concluding sentences of his account of the Galveston storm of Sept 8th; also two of his decisions. He highly compliments the work of this correspondent, and from it makes two short extracts. Many thanks, Bro. Todd, for your kind words. "May you live long and prosper."

This volume before us, barring the binding, is elegantly gotten up, and reflects much credit upon the taste and judgment of Grand Secretary Montgomery. It contains the proceedings of the fiftieth annual communication (the Golden Jubilee), held in the city of St. Paul, Feb. 24th. It is embellished with, as its frontispiece, a photograph of Grand Master A. D. Countryman, followed by group photos of the incoming grand officers and of the founders of the grand lodge, and, scattered along at intervals through the volume, photogravures appear of the twenty-three past grand masters who have since its organization, fifty years ago, presided in the grand east.

Grand Orator Masterman treated his brethren to a well written and well considered oration, that is given six pages in the volume. We have read it with some interest, because it makes good reading, but for the life of us we cannot tell just what the subject is.

In the evening of Feb. 24th the Golden Jubilee was held, the proceedings of which are fully given. The room, we are told, was "elaborately decorated, a mass of harmonious colorings, from paneled roof to canvassed floor, Old Glory being everywhere in evidence." For us who, as is well known, are unalterably opposed to and again the use of flags in masonic lodge rooms, or upon masonic occasions, the presence of Old Glory, or any other glory, would have marred all other beauty. The record is a most interesting resume of the history of the grand lodge from its inception in 1853 to 1903, fifty years, and will be of incalculable value to the Minnesota craft, as well as to the future student of masonic history. The story, filling ninety-three pages, is admirably told.

The correspondence report is furnished, as usual, by Bro. Irving Todd. It is a well written digest of the doings of fifty-four grand lodges in their annual communications, covering eighty-one pages. As but little less than one and one-half pages is allotted to each jurisdiction it is, of course, but a synopsis of the proceedings. And yet from it one may get a very fair idea of what was done in the masonic field during the year. Texas, 1901, is accorded one and a half pages.

In them this correspondent receives a courteous notice, and from our review of Minnesota two paragraphs are copied.

The volume closes with the record of the proceedings had at the eleventh annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association, as a frontispiece to which is a photogravure of its second president, Bro. B. F. Farmer.

Bro. Adams does not seem to have been burthened with much work, for, owing to the peace and harmony that obtained among the craft, he had little governing to do. It governed itself; and so mote it be.

The grand orator, we are informed, "delivered an interesting address, holding his audience spellbound for more than half an hour." It is given space in the volume, covering eleven closely printed pages.

The committee appointed at the last session to consider the feasibility of establishing a masonic home, and to obtain the sense of the lodges thereupon, made a very full, exhaustive, and able report. It was fully discussed, and the matter was "indefinitely postponed by a decided majority." And so ends the chapter.

Bro. Irving Todd, as heretofore for several years he has done, furnished the report on correspondence, which fills an even hundred pages, of which the Texas, 1902, volume is given one. Bro. Todd expresses regret that the proceedings of Minnesota did not reach us last year. We, too, are sorry. Every year some two or more volumes fail to arrive. Not one time in the twenty-one years in which we have been writing these reports have we ever been fortunate enough to have them all. Then, again, often two or more, as in this instance, came at once. There is no good reason why this should occur, but so it is.

Bro. Matthews takes exceptions to the rulings of Bro. Ives in relation to exemption from dues, yet it was strictly in accord with our regulations at that time. The legislature of last winter, however, prohibits the exemption of any member, although we presume dues may still be remitted upon the ground of poverty, but not the grand lodge dues. He commends his refusal to grant dispensations in violation of established law, adding that "it is a great pity that some other grand masters can't see it that way, too."

The criticism of Bro. Countryman for granting a dispensation to a lodge to appear at the funeral of a brother when not in charge of the services is eminently sound, but the record shows that the application was refused. This is clearly one on Bro. Matthews.

The allusion to express delays reminds the writer of an experience at San Antonio in 1888, his first visit to the Lone Star State. After waiting a couple of days for the office to deliver a piece of baggage at the hotel, less than a half dozen blocks, he hunted up a rig and went after it himself. The only excuse was to-morrow. In fact, everything with them was manana, to-morrow. Yet, in spite of their seeming lack of push and energy, their universal apathy and shiftlessness, we never met a more hospitable, open handed, and generous people in all our travels, and are always glad to go down there again. Next to New York, Texas seems more like home than any locality outside of Minnesota.

M. W. A. W. Campbell, Dallas, Grand Master; R. W. John Watson, Waco, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. M. Matthews, Athens, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

UTAH, 1905.

The thirty-fourth annual communication was held at Ogden, Jan. 17th and 18th, M. W. R. L. Conely, Grand Master. The eleven lodges all represented. Seven past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership twelve hundred and thirteen; gain sixty-two. Receipts \$2,046.27.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The address is a brief statement of the work of the past year, with no decisions reported.

The Grand Lodge of Porto Rico was recognized, and the application from the Grand Lodge of Queensland deferred; \$1,000 were set apart as a charity fund; the proposed amendment allowing the past masters a vote in grand lodge was reported on adversely by the jurisprudence committee; a vote of thanks was tendered for the courtesies extended by the local brethren; the Emery ring was duly passed along the line; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; closing with an enjoyable banquet.

Notwithstanding another siege of the la grippe and a broken leg, the twenty-ninth annual report of the grand secretary on

correspondence is fully up to the standard. The following extracts are made from the fraternal review of Minnesota :

The address of the grand master is, a paper written in choice and elegant language, and covers completely his official acts. He reports the loss of Bro. R. H. Gove, who died Feb. 28th, 1903, aged seventy-three years. Bro. Gove was grand master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota in 1886, and for forty long years was a regular attendant at its communications. He was the grand representative of the Grand Lodge of Utah from March, 1875, to the day of his departure to the Grand Lodge above. He was an upright man and mason, a faithful officer, and a loyal representative of our grand lodge. He has earned the rest that has come to him, and whenever the final call is delivered to us we shall, without faltering of speech, declare that the name of R. H. Gove leads all the rest in love of masonry and fellow man.

He had devoted much time to the proposed masonic home, which had been referred to him and a special committee by last grand lodge. The report of the committee is an exhaustive paper of fifteen pages, a paper one should think would have convinced the brethren of the necessity of a masonic home in the great and wealthy state of Minnesota, but it failed to soften the hearts of the brethren, and a motion to indefinitely postpone the whole matter was carried by a decided majority.

Bro. J. C. Bennett, grand orator, delivered a most interesting oration.

The report on correspondence was again furnished by Bro. Irving Todd. In a compass of one hundred pages he reviews the proceedings of fifty-five grand lodges, including Utah for 1903, which receives brief but fraternal mention in one page.

The promised paper on physical disabilities was again deferred by la grippe. It is hoped for better luck next year.

M. . W. . C. S. Varien, Grand Master ; R. . W. . Christopher Diehl reelected Grand Secretary ; both of Salt Lake City.

VERMONT, 1905.

The one hundred and twelfth annual communication was held at Burlington, June 14th and 15th, M. . W. . O. W. Daley, Grand Master. Eighty-six lodges represented ; one hundred and three on the roll. Nine past grand masters present ; our representative absent.

Membership eleven thousand, five hundred, and thirty-five; gain two hundred and thirty-two. Receipts \$8,132.23.

The death of Bro. Ozro Meacham, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master, and there is also a group of grand lodge officers and permanent members.

The address is a long drawn out document of twenty-two pages, pertaining to local matters; a past grand master from Quebec was received with due honors; a telegram of sympathy was forwarded to Bro. Edwin Wheelock, the venerable grand chaplain; a payment of \$6,000 on the temple debt was reported, with \$49,000 still outstanding; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin; the committee on grievances reported that no complaints had been brought to its attention; the application of the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico for recognition was deferred; the jurisprudence committee asked for further time to complete the new digest; the appropriation for the library was restricted to twenty cents for each ritual and hand book sold; and a committee on masonic home was appointed, to report next year.

In acknowledging the receipt of several boxes of old proceedings the grand secretary says:

From Bro. F. M. Rood I have received the old records of Hiram Lodge No. 45, formerly located at Waitsfield, Vt. This lodge was chartered Oct. 7th, 1817, and continued to exist and work until Sept. 25th, 1834. In the light and knowledge of to-day it is interesting to read the last entry made in this book of records:

Resolved, That we highly approve of the resolutions passed at Montpelier, Sept. 19th, 1834, by the masons of Washington County, and we hereby cheerfully join in putting an end to the Masonick Institution by wholly dissolving our connection with said Institution and holding masons as we hold all mankind.

The lodges of Washington County to-day have ten hundred and seventy-five members.

A supplementary report of the jurisprudence committee on the subject of life membership is printed in the appendix. It holds that when a lodge by its by-laws provides for such membership by the payment of a stipulated sum, or the payment of dues for a certain number of years, the agreement cannot

be violated by a subsequent amendment placing all life members upon the paying list.

The report on foreign correspondence, by Bro. M. O. Perkins, is a very interesting and carefully prepared paper. Of Minnesota he fraternally writes:

The address of the grand master is an able, business like review of his official stewardship, successful in all its features, and characterized by marked administrative ability. He reports the constitution of these lodges and the institution of three more, one of the former being named after the honored grand secretary, action in our opinion hardly to be commended, as we believe no lodge should be named after any living person. Yet, if it was to be done, no better name could have been selected. One of his dispensations, to enable a lodge to continue work, suggests the thought that "possibly the brethren in the planet Mars" are now working under a Minnesota charter, as a great storm carried it away from a wrecked building, and it has not since been found. We trust if wireless telegraphy brings news hereafter of such an invasion no grave inter-jurisdictional complications with the Martians may follow. * * * He declined to grant a dispensation to a lodge to elect the three principal officers, two having left the state and the third being about to do so, because the officers had been "properly installed, could not resign, were still living, and could at any time within the term for which they were elected move back into the jurisdiction and demand their offices," all in harmony with the Vermont law, but leading us to query as to what provision is made by Minnesota for opening a lodge and transacting business in an emergency arising from such wholesale emigration.

An eloquent discourse on the Heart of Free masonry was pronounced by the grand orator, W. W. Bro. L. G. Hoffmann.

Bro. Irving Todd submits another of his incomparable reports on correspondence, a masterly condensation of matters of interest found in the proceedings of fifty-five grand lodges, including Vermont for 1904, with brief reference to Grand Master Daley's address and summary of business transacted by grand lodge.

In the appendix are found, as usual, the proceedings, always interesting, of the Veteran Association, Bro. T. C. Clark, president, and Bro. G. W. Merrill, secretary. The pages are enriched with portraits, including a fine picture of the late Mother Pierson, who died in St Paul, Sept. 25th, 1904, and to whose memory beautiful tribute is found, both here and among the pages, In Memoriam of grand lodge. She was the widow of M. W. Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, whose record of devotion to masonic labor as grand master, grand high priest, grand seceretary, grand recorder, and writer of correspondence reports has rarely, if ever, been equalled anywhere. Since

his death in 1889 she has been a beneficiary of the grand lodge and grand commandery, and had frequently expressed her gratitude for; and appreciation of the assistance thus rendered her. Of her it is written, "She was a lady of culture and refinement, esteemed and beloved by all who knew her, and always loyal to masonry."

We have stated before that our constitution provides that in the absence of all three of the officers the lodge may be opened by one of its past masters.

M. W. E. Ranger, Grand Master; R. W. H. H. Ross reelected Grand Secretary; both of Burlington; Bro. M. O. Perkins, Windsor, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

VIRGINIA, 1905.

The one hundred and twenty-seventh annual communication was held at Richmond, Feb. 14th, 15th, and 16th, M. W. T. N. Davis, Grand Master. There was no session in 1904, owing to the change of date. One hundred and eighty lodges represented; two hundred and eighty-four on the roll. Five past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Ten dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership fifteen thousand, eight hundred, and forty-six; gain eight hundred and forty-five. Receipts \$14,821.58.

The death of Bro. Mann Page, past grand master, was announced, and his portrait faces the title page.

The principal feature of the address is the fifty-one decisions, of purely local interest.

A jewel was presented to the grand lecturer in recognition of his long and faithful services to the craft; a payment of \$5,000 was reported upon the temple debt; the report of the home shows fifty-eight inmates, maintenance \$6,363.15; a gavel made from the original timbers of the state capitol was presented to the grand lodge; the propositions to abolish the grand representative system and to call the degree conferred on wardens elect that of present master failed to receive the approval of the committee; a number of amendments were made to the Methodical Digest; the committee on history re-

ported that not more than seventeen lodges have furnished sketches; nine charters were granted, and two dispensations continued; the committee on appeals reported that all troubles had been satisfactorily adjusted, a much better plan than that of publishing all the details; a set of antique spoons was presented to a brother who had been in regular attendance since 1877.

Bro. J. W. Eggleston prepared another of his very readable reports on foreign correspondence, easily recognizable as coming from the vicinity of the pillar of beauty. In the two and a half pages under the head of Minnesota are found the following:

We can find no more suitable adjective to describe the grand master's address than simply *beautiful*.

The committee on jurisprudence reported against reciprocity with North Dakota and Iowa. If they will pardon our impertinence, we will express the opinion that their view arises from giving a little too much weight to territorial jurisdiction, and this writer is a stickler for it, too. Properly arranged, it should provide that profanes on the border may apply to the nearest lodge, even if across the line. It works equally for both states, and really carries out territorial jurisdiction all the better by making each profane apply where he is best known. We have had the system with neighboring grand lodges for years, and it works to perfection.

Bro. Irving Todd devotes three and one-half pages to Virginia, 1902. As usual, he misses nothing of importance. After quoting more than a page from our report, he seems a little mixed about our law on honorary membership. * * * It is proper to add that in Virginia there is no restriction as to the number of lodges a mason may belong to.

Commenting on our expressions as to the prerogative of a grand master, he says.

It is hardly to be presumed that a grand master in Virginia would violate the plain requirements of their digest, even if asked to do so.

He would not *violate* them, but he would, and often does, *suspend* and *set them aside* in specific cases when the best interests of the craft are thereby to be served, in his judgement. As an illustration: On one occasion the grand lodge was debating the amending the digest so as to provide that the installation of officers should not be held in public. The grand master favored the law, but the grand senior deacon asked him this question: "What would become of your pre-

rogatives, most worshipful?" The reply was quick and sharp and brought down the house: "It would remain as it was before, and I would not hesitate to grant a dispensation setting the law aside if I thought proper." That is our idea of the imperial power vested in a grand master. It was the ancient way, and, as we have often said, the absolute rule of a grand master over the most democratic of brotherhood typifies, as nothing else in human affairs can do, the Fatherhood of God over the Brotherhood of Man.

As we have had occasion to remark before, our committee on jurisprudence is opposed to the waiving of jurisdiction at wholesale, preferring to have each case taken up by itself and considered upon its merits. These matters are very easily arranged by the lodges interested, and usually without friction.

Instead of being mixed about the Virginia law on honorary membership, we were only trying to explain a Minnesota decision to which he had taken exception. Dual and honorary membership with us is prohibited. The principal objection to the former, even where dues only accrue in the primal lodge, is the confusion in statistics. Has Bro. Eggleston any idea how many past masters have been counted twice or thrice to make up their membership of nearly sixteen thousand? And why is the privilege confined to past masters? And are past masters who are only wardens also eligible?

The difference between violating a law and suspending or setting it aside is largely a choice of words; the result is substantially the same. We used violate in the sense of ignore, which term would have been better as more clearly expressing the meaning. Our grand masters have generally used their prerogatives freely, but there are several fundamental regulations which even they are bound to respect.

M. W. T. N. Davis, Lynchburg, Grand Master, and R. W. G. W. Carrington, Richmond, Grand Secretary, were re-elected; Bro. J. W. Eggleston, Richmond, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

WASHINGTON, 1905.

The forty-eighth annual communication was held at Bellingham, June 13th, 14th, and 15th, M. W. E. H. Van Pat-

ten, Grand Master. One hundred and ten lodges represented; one hundred and twenty-seven on the roll. Thirteen past grand masters present, our representative included.

Eight dispensations for new lodges. Membership eight thousand, nine hundred, and ninety-seven; gain ten hundred and forty. Receipts \$11,525.25.

The death of Bro. Daniel Bagley, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the deceased past grand master.

The following is among the nine approved decisions:

1. An objection to a visitor sitting in lodge, even though it be in writing and spread upon the minutes, can not bar said visitor from sitting in lodge, unless the objecting brother is present at the time of the visit, nor for more than the one meeting at which it was presented. In order to be effectual, said objection must be made every time the objectionable brother presents himself for the purpose of visiting.

For the first time in all these years there was a vacancy in the southeast, Bro. T. M. Reed, grand secretary, being detained at home by illness from which he died the following October, at the ripe age of eighty. Bro. Reed was the oldest grand secretary in America, having been installed at the organization of the grand lodge in 1858, and with the exception of 1862, 1863, 1864, and 1866, three of which years he was grand master and the other year in Idaho, he had most creditably filled that responsible position. The session of 1864 was the only one he had heretofore missed. He was not only the father of masonry in that jurisdiction, but also its best known craftsman.

Greetings were forwarded to the absent grand secretary and grand chaplain; three gavels made from oak used in the first building occupied by American Union Lodge No. 1, of Marietta, were presented by its grand representative from Ohio; Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith, of British Columbia, was welcomed as a visitor; the succeeding grand masters were authorized to take suitable action in the proposed bicentenary celebration of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England in 1917; no action was taken upon the request of the Grand Lodge of

Queensland for recognition; fraternal greetings were exchanged with Wisconsin and Oregon; amendments to the by-laws were adopted providing that all officers must be members of the lodge, with the exception of the chaplain and tyler, and that all future appropriations of the grand lodge must first be considered and reported upon by the finance committee; the grand secretary was instructed to revise the code; the committee on masonic home reported adversely to building one at present; an amendment to the constitution was unanimously adopted, conferring power upon the grand master to issue special dispensations; the code was amended so that attendance upon schools or colleges does not involve a loss of residence; the amendment of last year ordering the removal of the grand lodge library from Olympia to Tacoma was repealed; seven charters were granted, and two dispensations continued; the grand master's appropriation for expenses was increased to \$250, and the grand lodge dues reduced to seventy-five cents; a resolution of thanks was tendered the local brethren for their courtesy and hospitality; a committee of three past grand masters was appointed to visit the grand secretary and express the affection of every member of the grand lodge; and a special committee was appointed to recommend a suitable site for the home.

Bro. W. H. Upton presented his final report on correspondence, the incoming grand master having selected another chairman, Bro. S. J. Chadwick, past grand master, whose able report in 1902 is not yet forgotten. It is greatly regretted that the continued ill health of Bro. Upton prevented the completion of a very interesting paper, from which the following extracts are reproduced:

The address of Grand Master W. A. McGonagle was brief and clean cut. One sentence, which can be read two ways, leaves us in doubt as to his rank in railway circles; for he speaks of "the requirements made of my time by the active management of an important railroad." Many years ago we were a railroad attorney, and we well remember that the management, being more active than sensible, used to make heavy demands upon *our* time; but it may be that Bro. McGonagle is not under, but *has* the management. Nor does his name suggest with certainty the race from which he is descended,

but the strong, pleasant face shown in his portrait, and the humor and sound sense which characterize his address, convince us that he is in no ways related to old Aft Gone-aglee mentioned by Bro. Bobby Burns.

Two of his three decisions were in substance. * * * The last of these, at least, is sound. We cannot but wonder whether the striking of his name had any thing to do with the brother killing himself.

The report of Grand Secretary Montgomery was able and comprehensive, as his reports always are.

And listened to an able address by Grand Orator L. G. Hoffmann. The latter began by stating that perhaps an explanation was due as to why he, "almost the youngest craftsman among you," should presume to address them upon the theme of masonry; but said he would not pause to give it. After reading the oration, we suspect the reason why he was selected for the purpose was that he had achieved a reputation as a brilliant orator and word painter, not to say spell binder. We have space for but two brief extracts, the first of which reminds us of something we said in regard to the religion of the Aryans in an earlier part of this report.

The death of Mrs. A. T. C. Pierson is gracefully noted in the proceedings, and her portrait appears in the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association, which are bound up with the volume under review. These contain much matter of great value and interest, but we suppose they are hardly within the scope of this report. We were much grieved to hear, from other sources, of the sudden death, in Europe, of Dr. G. R. Metcalf, one of the most prominent members, if not the founder, of that association.

Bro. Irving Todd presented a correspondence report of eighty pages. He is probably the most successful condenser at the round table, but offers so little comment that there is little in his reports to quote. * * * He is still harping on Washington's opinion of negro masonry; speaks of our "strained relations with the masonic world," and says, that, in its declaration of 1899, our grand lodge "did not do what it now claims to have done." We should think that, in a region where they have winter five months in the year, our neighbor might cool off after a while. He seems to mistake himself, two or three other members of the guild, and two small grand lodges for "the masonic world," and he errs in supposing Washington "now claims to to have done" anything concerning the matter except to adopt the declaration, which displeases him but satisfies us.

Bro. McGonagle is first vice-president of the Duluth, Missabe, and Northern Railway and its general manager, and what he says goes, right or wrong.

Personally we do not care a pin whether the Grand Lodge of Washington does or does not recede from its unfortunate position upon clandestine masonry, for which Bro. Upton is primarily responsible, and if their grand master had not referred to the subject in his address as he did it probably would not have again appeared in these pages. No earthly good can result from the renewal of a controversy which we considered a closed incident several years ago.

M. W. A. L. Miller, Vancouver, Grand Master; R. W. T. M. Reed re-elected Grand Secretary; Bro. S. J. Chadwick, Colfax, committee on correspondence.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1904.

The fortieth annual communication was held at Clarksburg, Nov. 16th and 17th, M. W. George Hatch, Grand Master. One hundred and seventeen lodges represented; one hundred and twenty-four on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership nine thousand, three hundred, and ninety-nine; gain six hundred and eighty-nine. Receipts \$7,046.50.

The death of Bro. W. H. H. Flick, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and a district deputy grand lecturer.

There is nothing in the address or the seven decisions reported of any special interest.

A banquet was spread at the Waldo Hotel the first evening, stated to have been a sumptuous affair; three charters and one dispensation were granted, and one dispensation continued; a new edition of the text book was ordered printed; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master; the question of making the sale of intoxicating liquors a disqualification for the mysteries of freemasonry was referred to a special committee, to report next year; and a vote of thanks was tendered the local brethren for their special courteous and clever treatment.

The grand secretary prepared his nineteenth annual report on foreign correspondence, an able document of over three hundred pages. We quote from the review of Minnesota as follows:

A half tone portrait of M. W. H. R. Adams appears as a frontispiece of the volume of proceedings. He is quite young in appearance, but is very much of a factor in Minnesota masonry.

The grand master recommended the plan of adopting the district deputy grand master system and making them officers of the grand lodge. Our Minnesota brethren will find the plan a good one, if the deputies are required by the grand masters to discharge their duties as contemplated by the system.

The M. W. Grand Master states that he visited as many of the constituent lodges as his time would permit, but does not give the number. Grand masters are always busy men, and it is unfortunate that the most of them do but little visiting. They exert a powerful influence over the craft, and if they could travel around more than the most of them do they would be much more helpful for good than they usually are.

A happy oration on freemasonry was delivered by the grand orator, Bro. J. C. Bennett.

That veteran masonic writer, Bro. Irving Todd, is, as usual, the author of an interesting report on foreign correspondence. West Virginia's annual of 1902 receive careful notice.

If my good Bro. Todd will examine each volume of our West Virginia proceedings he will find an index of the lodges in each of them, and one can find the name of a brother almost as quickly as by turning to the grand lodge register. Moreover, when the names of all the lodge members are printed yearly very few inquiries are made for the names of members, and this latter fact is a strong argument in favor of an annual publication of the lodge rosters.

Bro. Atkinson falls into the common error of supposing that the district deputy grand master system is something new in Minnesota. It dates from 1867, and they are now entitled to seats in the grand lodge. The proposition was to make them members, with per diem and mileage.

An index of lodges is a good thing as far as it goes, but if he were asked as to the status of say David Dick, he would find that an index of members would save the trouble of scanning a great many lists, and when the name is found there would be nothing else without going back to the original lodge

return. A well kept register is the most useful article in the office of a grand secretary, and we fail to see how he can conveniently do business without it.

M. W. L. H. Clarke, Kyle, Grand Master; R. W. G. W. Atkinson, Charleston, reelected Grand Secretary and retained as committee on foreign correspondence.

WISCONSIN, 1905.

The sixty-first annual communication was held at Milwaukee, June 13th, 14th, and 15th, M. W. D. H. Wright, Grand Master. Two hundred and thirty-seven lodges represented; two hundred and fifty-two on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present, our representative included.

Two dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership twenty-one thousand, two hundred, and fifty-one; gain six hundred and eighty. Receipts \$11,050.80.

The deaths of Bro. Oliver Libbey and Bro. E. E. Chapin, past grand masters, were announced, and their portraits appear in the memorial pages.

The address is a quite lengthy statement of the transactions of the year, with a reproduction of official correspondence that should have remained on file. Six local decisions were reported and approved by the jurisprudence committee. Permission was given to the Grand Master of Minnesota to confer the third degree in a lodge at Baldwin, and the grand master himself opened the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin at Gorham, Me., for the purpose of attending the funeral of one of their past grand masters. These exchange of courtesies were very gratifying to all concerned. The concluding paragraphs are without a parallel:

I have known personally every grand master of this grand lodge from the first to the present. I knew Bro. B. T. Kavanaugh, grand master in 1844, and have been personally acquainted with every one of his successors. I have known every grand secretary but the first, personally, Bro. B. C. Eastman I have seen, but had no personal acquaintance with him. I venture the assertion that no master mason living now in this state, except our W. Bro H. L. Palmer, knew all these brethren.

I have attended forty-eight sessions of this grand lodge. I first came to this grand lodge in 1857 as secretary of Madison Lodge No. 5, and in 1859 I came as the senior warden of Madison Lodge No. 5, and have not missed a session since. I have met in lodge with every grand master except Bro. Kavanaugh, and with every grand secretary except Bro. B. C. Eastman.

The grand secretary reported the exchange of fraternal greetings with Nebraska, Iowa, Nevada, South Dakota, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, Oregon, Vermont, and Washington; the special committee appointed to devise some plan in lieu of roll call recommended that each brother in attendance be furnished a card by the grand secretary, to be punched by the grand tyler upon entering or retiring, a sort of time check that will probably be discarded after one trial; portraits of three past grand masters were presented and accepted by the grand master; the opening of the grand lodge in another jurisdiction was disapproved by the committee on jurisprudence; two charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; the grand lecturer was authorized to visit one-half of the lodges each year; a group of the first twelve grand masters was ordered photographed for distribution to the lodges; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master without the customary probation of a year.

Another very readable report on foreign correspondence was prepared by Bro. Aldro Jenks, who touches up Minnesota as follows:

The proceedings of this grand lodge are characterized by business methods, everything terse and to the point.

The address of the grand master covers but seven pages, and in it his official acts are briefly recounted. He reports the constituting of a lodge at St. Paul named Montgomery Lodge, in honor of the grand secretary. He very correctly states that this is an honor which is seldom accorded to a living mason. In many grand lodges, Wisconsin, being among the number, this is prohibited. Wisconsin at one time had an honored grand secretary, than whom no man in the jurisdiction stood higher. Had a lodge been named after him at this period, it is quite certain it would have requested years ago to have had the name changed. It is therefore a prudent rule which forbids a lodge to be named after any living person.

A communication from *The Masonic Observer*, published at Minneapolis, asking for recognition as the official paper of the juris-

diction, was received and referred to the committee on jurisprudence. The committee reported, recommending the paper simply to the favorable consideration of the fraternity. We could never understand the necessity of the grand lodge having an official paper. Such ventures should be permitted to stand or fall on their own merits.

Bro. Irving Todd presented a very concise synopsis of the doings of other grand lodges, embracing Wisconsin for 1904. Our brother manages to compress a vast amount of information into a very brief report. His condensor works well, and he culls with discretion. If we were to offer a criticism, it would be that he seldom or never comments concerning any of the questions presented.

While agreeing with the brother as to the propriety of naming lodges after living masons as a general rule, it may be stated that there was a precedent in the issuance of a dispensation for Pierson Lodge in 1886, three and a half years before the death of our former grand secretary.

Bro. Jenks holds that the actual presence of a charter is not essential to the workings of a lodge; that a non-affiliate is a mason in good standing, to which we most emphatically dissent; that a masonic home is as wasteful an effort and as expensive a luxury as a masonic temple; that an affiliation fee should not be required under any circumstances; that the official signet ring in several jurisdictions is a needless innovation; that the organization of a society of past grand masters is foolish in its inception and dangerous in its tendencies, to which probably Bro. Hodson, of Oregon, will not assent; that there is no body higher in masonry than the grand lodge; that homes in private families are preferable for orphans to those furnished by masonic institutions; that the privileges of masonry cannot be demanded as a right; and that it is improper to confer the past master's degree upon a warden.

M.°. W.°. J. C. Bradley, Grand Master; R.°. W.°. W. W. Perry re-elected Grand Secretary; both of Milwaukee; Bro. Aldro Jenks, Dodgeville, committee on foreign correspondence.

WYOMING, 1905.

The thirty-first annual communication was held at Laramie, Sept. 6th, M.°. W.°. F. A. Luckfield, Grand Master. Seventeen

lodges represented; twenty-three on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Membership eighteen hundred and nine; gain one hundred and sixty. Receipts \$2,497.49.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The address is a somewhat lengthy business paper, reporting nine decisions. Among the fool questions were should a lodge ballot upon a petition for affiliation after the brother had been killed; how should master masons wear their aprons while conferring the entered apprentice degree; can a portion of the minutes be expunged at some subsequent communication, after they have been regularly approved; can special communications be called for conferring of degrees? It is not necessary to give the answers.

Sincere thanks were tendered to the local brethren and the ladies for their many courtesies; traveling expenses were voted to two representatives from each lodge, the grand officers, and past grand masters in attendance at the next annual communication; the committee on jurisprudence recommended that life membership be disapproved and that conferring of the entered apprentice degree at the request of lodges outside the jurisdiction be prohibited, owing to incomplete and unsatisfactory identification; the committee on appeals and grievances reported that peace and harmony prevailed among the lodges and members; the committee on returns and work concurred in the recommendations of the grand master as to the advisability of establishing and maintaining a masonic home and the prohibition of any charge for affiliation; and a standing appropriation of \$25 was made for the purchase of a jewel for the retiring grand master.

The report on correspondence was the handiwork of the accomplished grand secretary, as a matter of course. Minnesota is complimented as follows:

Bro L. G. Hoffmann delivered a well prepared oration. While agreeing with sentiments expressed therein, we regret that he unfortunately fell into the error of repeating old assertions that investigation has amply demonstrated never had any foundation in fact.

Bro. Irving Todd remains the reporter. Wyoming is well treated in his excellent report.

Bro. Kuykendall is greatly concerned over the welfare of one of our lodges, refused a dispensation to elect the three principal officers in place of the regularly installed master and wardens, who had left the state. He says:

We searched diligently, without result, to find what became of the lodge affected by the refusal to grant dispensation as outlined above. We infer it died, either permanently or temporarily.

In Minnesota a master or wardens cannot dimit or resign during their term of office, consequently there was no vacancy to be filled. In the case mentioned the lodge was undoubtedly opened by one of its past masters, as provided in the constitution. The writer has presided over his own lodge several times under similar circumstances, with no question as to the regularity of its proceedings. It may not be a landmark, but the law is a good one, even in Wyoming.

Concerning ancient usage he replies as follows:

Our brother's reference to Anderson's Constitutions and use of the words significant ceremonies to establish the so-called past master's degree or anything else as founded upon an ancient custom of speculative masonry is accepted as a starting point as suggested. Said Constitutions or compilation clearly demonstrates to our satisfaction that all documents from which the same was evolved referred to operative masonry. Such being the fact, then so far as speculative masonry is concerned nothing antedating 1721 is an ancient custom. Admitting for argument's sake only that the reference was to our system of speculative masonry, our brother's significant ceremonies are only those of installation as now practiced, having no reference whatever to the so-called past master's degree, or somebody has changed an ancient custom, for said degree is not known or mentioned in any installation ceremony found in monitors at present time. We expect our brother will say that present installation ceremonies are of recent manufacture. To which we will say that in our opinion Anderson's compilation, so far as it relates to anything of a speculative character, was manufactured.

If we accept Bro. Kuykendall's theory that nothing prior to 1721 is ancient and everything since that date is modern, what then becomes of the landmarks?

Our collection of monitors is not very extensive, having never made that branch of masonic literature a specialty, but the following quotations are taken from the installation ceremony in all the volumes we have:

The necessary cautions are then given, and all, excepting masters and past masters of lodges, are requested to retire, until the master of the new lodge is placed in the oriental chair. He is then bound to the faithful performance of his trust, and duly invested.—*Masonic Trestle Board* by Charles W. Moore and S. W. B. Carnegy. 1843.

The worshipful master having been previously inducted into the oriental chair of Solomon, all but master masons are caused to retire. *Masonic Chart*, by Jeremy L. Cross. 1851.

The necessary cautions are then given, and all, excepting masters and past masters of lodges, are requested to retire until the master of the new lodge is placed in the chair of Solomon. He is then bound to the faithful performance of his trust, and invested with the characteristics of the chair.—*Freemason's Monitor*, by Thomas Smith Webb. 1858.

You will now be solemnly inducted into the oriental chair of King Solomon; during the performance of this ceremony it is requested that all but regularly installed masters of lodges and past masters will retire.—*Ahiman Rezon*, by Daniel Sickles. 1866.

Here all but past masters are caused to retire, and the worshipful master is solemnly inducted into the oriental chair of Solomon, and invested with the mysteries of the past master's degree.—*Manual of the Lodge*, by Albert G. Mackey. 1867.

No person can be installed master of a lodge until he has received the order of past master, either in a convocation of past masters, or in the regular routine of royal arch masonry; and none can be installed master who have not served as warden of a lodge.—*Miniature Monitor*, by Rob. Morris. 1872.

The necessary cautions are given, and all, excepting present or past masters of lodges, are requested to retire until the master of the lodge is inducted into the oriental chair of Solomon. He is then bound to the faithful performance of his trust, and invested with the characteristics of the chair.—*Freemason's Handbook*, by Howard Matthews. 1880.

This grand lodge recognizes no degree of present or past master conferred by any authority not holden under a legitimate grand lodge; acknowledging only the order of that name as it exists in the cere-

monies attending the installation of the master elect of a chartered lodge; which order shall be conferred only by a convocation of present or past masters not less than three in number, who have thus regularly received it.—*California Masonic Manual*, by James Wright Anderson. 1888.

A portion of the ceremony of the installation of a master can be performed only in a convention of not less than three past masters of a lodge. It is known as the past master's degree, and is often confounded with a degree of the same name conferred in royal arch chapters; but the chapter past master cannot, in this state, be recognized by a past master of a lodge. In different jurisdictions the usage, as to the time when this ceremony is to be performed, differ; in some it must be performed as a part of the installation ceremony; in these, when the installation is in a lodge, all except past masters (including masters in the chair) are required, at the proper time, to retire, while the master is invested with this degree, and then to return to assist in the remaining ceremonies; and when the installation is public this ceremony is either performed before leaving the lodge room for the public hall, or after returning from the public services; in others the installing officer, at his convenience, generally before but it may be after the installation, with the necessary assistance, performs this part of the ceremony.—*Maine Masonic Text Book*, by Josiah H. Drummond. 1880.

If the master has not previously received the past master's degree then the necessary cautions are given, and all excepting present or past masters of lodges are requested to retire until the master of the lodge is inducted into the oriental chair of Solomon. He is then bound to the faithful performance of his trust, and invested with the characteristics of the chair.—*Ohio Masonic Constitution*. 1882.

All the brethren present, not past masters, will then withdraw for a few minutes; and during their absence the master will be installed by the deputy grand master in ancient form.—*Pennsylvania Ahiman Rezon*. 1868.

All but actual masters and past masters having retired, the new master is invested with the mysteries of the past master's degree, and solemnly inducted into the chair. When the doors are opened the brethren return.—*Tennessee Masonic Text Book*, 1866.

The necessary cautions are then given, and all except present or past masters of lodges are requested to retire until the master of the new lodge is inducted into the oriental chair of Solomon. He is then bound to the faithful performance of his trust, and invested with the characteristics of the chair.—*Virginia Masonic Text Book*, by John Dove. 1854.

I now seat you in the oriental chair, and cover you with that distinction which, in this lodge, it is alone your privilege to wear.—*Washington Monitor*, by Thomas Milburne Reed. 1893.

No brother can lawfully be installed as master of a lodge until he shall have been rendered eligible, at the hands of a competent number of actual past masters.—*West Virginia Masonic Text Book*, by Odel S. Long. 1890.

The above extracts clearly indicate that the installation exercises in present use by a large majority of the grand jurisdictions, instead of being of recent manufacture, are as old as the offices themselves, still retaining the significant ceremonies referred to in Anderson's Constitutions. In fact, since our attention has been called to the matter, we do not remember of ever having examined an Ahiman Rezon, a monitor, or a masonic text book that did not contain some allusion to the past master's degree, as a prerequisite to installation. Still we would not say that there are none. Sickel's Ahiman Rezon having been adopted by the Grand Lodge of Wyoming as an official monitor, it is possible that they are using an expurgated edition.

Bro. Kuykendall is strongly opposed to dual membership, perpetual jurisdiction, grand representatives, affiliation of non-residents, the past master's degree, the laying of corner stones on Sunday, the grand master's prerogatives, proxy lodge representatives, comity relations with adjoining grand lodges, the right of non-affiliates to prefer charges, and the Iowa proposition to hold a masonic congress at London in 1917.

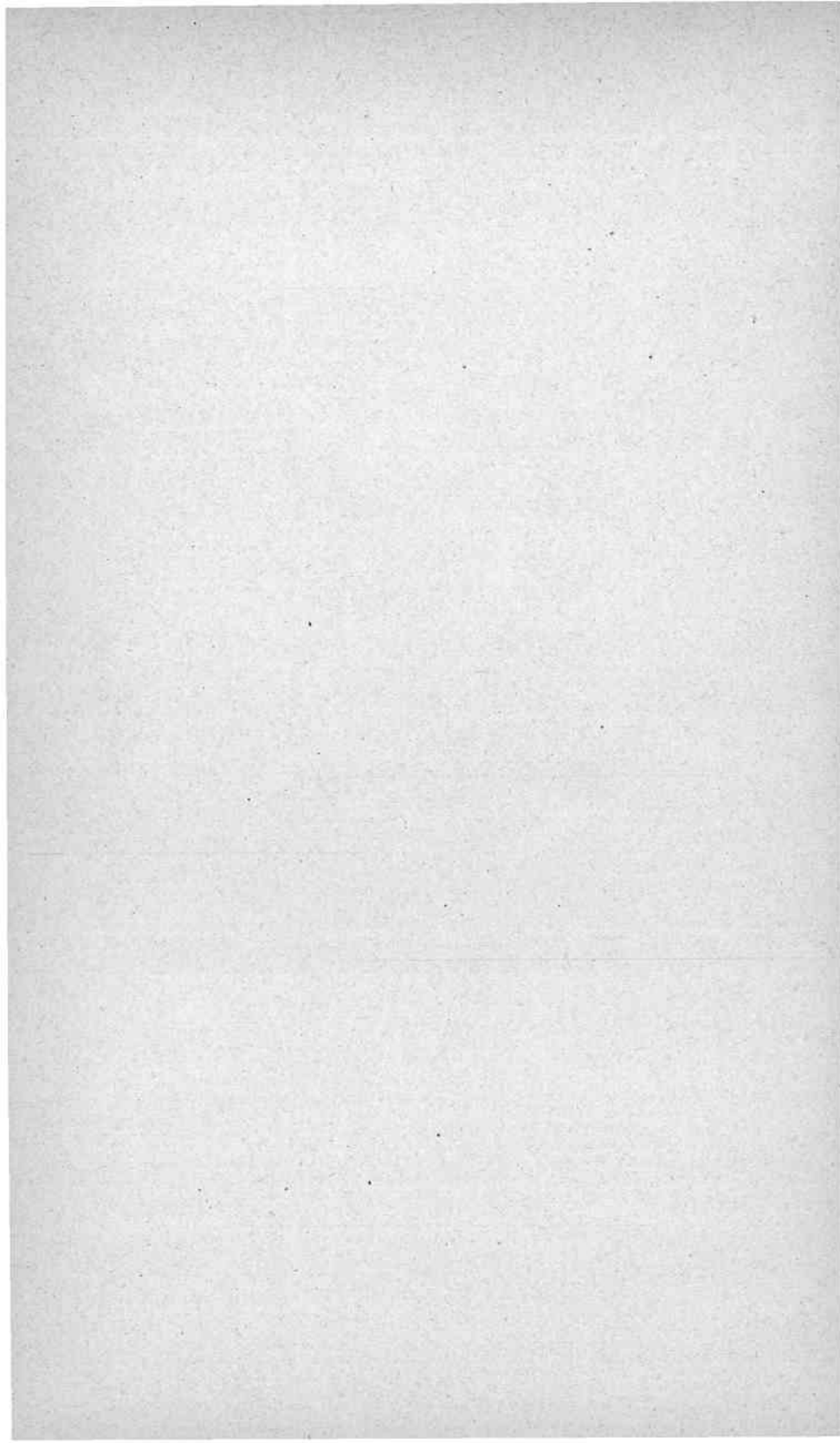
M. . W. . M. R. Johnston, Wheatland, Grand Master; R. . W. . W. L. Kuyendall, Saratoga, reelected Grand Secretary.

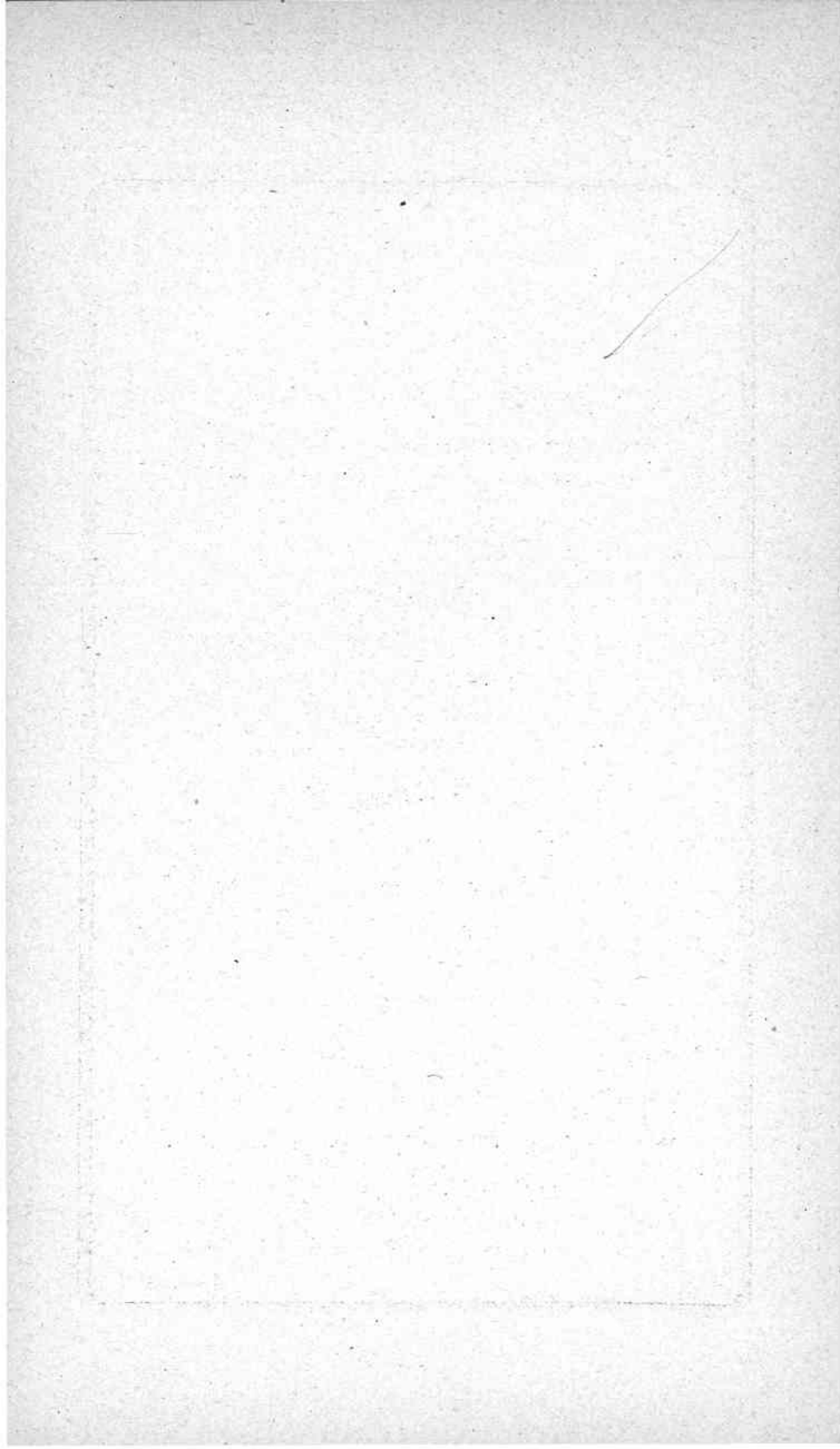
Fraternally submitted,

IRVING TODD,

For the Committee.

Hastings, Dec. 27th, 1905.





In Memoriam.

George Reuben Metcalf

Born at Brattleboro Vermont, Dec. 16th, 1848.

Died at Orvieto, Italy, Feb. 28th, 1905.

Founder

And for Ten Years President of the Masonic
Veteran Association of Minnesota.

Historian

Of the Semi Centennial of the Grand Lodge
of A. .F. .and A. .M. .of Minnesota
1903.

A Man of more than ordinary worth,

A Physician of good repute,

A Mason whose life and labors conferred honor
upon the Craft he so dearly loved.

Requiescat in pace.

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JOHN WADLIN MILLER, 1850.	JOSEPH REIF, 1855.
*THOS. JEFFERSON LOMBARD, 1851.	

The Fifteenth Annual Reunion will be held in St. Paul Wednesday evening Jan. 23, 1907.

*Deceased.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION
OF MINNESOTA
AT THE
FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REUNION.

St. Paul, Jan. 16th, 1906.

Pursuant to the usual notice mailed to all of our members, the first session of the Fourteenth Annual Reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota was held this Tuesday evening, Jan. 16th, 1906, in the ante room of the Masonic Hall at St. Paul at eight o'clock, P. M.

Present—Bro. Thomas C. Clark, President.

Bro. I. B. B. Sprague, Treasurer.

Bro. William S. Combs, Act. Secretary,
and a constitutional number of members.

The President caused the following to be read:

Know all men by these presents that Venerable Brother Giles W. Merrill, Secretary of the Masonic Veteran Association, feeling it necessary to spend the winter in California for the benefit of his health, is hereby granted a leave of absence for the balance of the Masonic year, dating from December 1st, 1905, and that Venerable Brother William S. Combs is hereby appointed Secretary pro-tem. of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota, until the annual meeting of same in 1906, to perform all the duties of that office in accordance with the requirements of the constitution.

THOS. C. CLARK,

President.

As has been our custom, the general business of the Association was deferred until tomorrow evening. Twenty-eight Master Masons eligible to membership were duly elected, and the fee of \$5.00 each was paid. (See Roster Nos. 561 to 586 inclusive.)

Two honorary members, Nos. 50 and 51.

Adjourned.

WILLIAM S. COMBS,

Act. Secretary.

SECOND SESSION.

St. Paul, Jan. 17th, 1906.

Pursuant to the adjournment, the second session of the Fourteenth Annual Reunion of the Association was held in the small Lodge Room, Masonic Hall at eight o'clock p. m.

There were present—

Bro. Thos. C. Clark, President.

Bro. William Pitt Murray, First Vice President.

Bro. John W. Eddy, Second Vice President.

Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, Treasurer.

Bro. William S. Combs, Act. Secretary, and some one hundred and seventy-five Brethren.

The minutes of the last annual meeting having been printed, the reading of the same was dispensed with. The minutes of the Board of Directors of April 1st and May 24th were read and approved.

Bros. Paul Miller, Kellogg Lodge, No. 122, Kellogg, Minn., and Joseph Reif, Garnet Lodge, No. 166, White Bear Lake, Minn., were duly elected to honorary membership, and invited to take seats in the East.

The following bills were presented and ordered paid:

Easton & Masterman, Printing..... \$17.25

W. S. Combs, Postage and Expressage..... 9.35

James Heffernan, Stenographer..... 5.00

The resolution offered at the last Annual Meeting and under the constitution laid over until this meeting, as follows, was read and adopted.

Amend Section 1 of Article IV by striking out the words "resident within the boundaries of the State of Minnesota," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "residing within any State where there is no Masonic Veterans' Association."

The Secretary and Treasurer presented their annual reports, which were referred to an auditing committee, consisting of Bros. Thos. Montgomery, Chas. L. West and Alex. Donald, who upon examination of the same reported them correct.

SECRETARY'S REPORT 1905.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 31, 1905.

To the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota:

I have the honor of submitting this my fourteenth annual report as Secretary.

MEMBERSHIP.

Number of active members Jan. 1, 1905..... 444

*Added during the year..... 42

Died during the year.....	13	
Active members Jan. 1, 1906.....	473	473
HONORARY MEMBERS.		
Honorary members Jan. 1, 1905.....	23	
Added during the year.....	1	
		24
Died during the year.....	1	
		23
Total membership Jan. 1, 1906.....		496

FINANCES.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1905.....	\$ 33.72
Surplus from annual feast.....	10.25
*Cash from thirty-nine petitions at \$5.00.....	195.00
Cash from Grand Lodge.....	100.00
	<u>\$338.97</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

1905.		
Jan. 18.	Paid warrant No. 121—Easton & Masterman	\$30.25
Jan. 18.	Paid warrant No. 122—Meyers & Perkins..	7.50
Jan. 18.	Paid warrant No. 123—G. W. Merrill, post-age	10.00
Jan. 18.	Paid warrant No. 120—Thos. Race.....	12.60
Jan. 18.	Paid warrant No. 124—Repay indebtedness to G. R. Metcalf.....	68.23
April 1.	Paid warrant No. 125—Joons & Russell—badges	63.00
April 1.	Paid warrant No. 126—Pioneer Press Co..	114.59
April 1.	Paid warrant No. 128—G. W. Merrill, mailing tubes.....	1.60
April 1.	Paid warrant No. 127—G. W. Merrill, post-age	8.00
April 1.	Paid warrant No. 129—Brown, Treacy & Co.	.98
May 24.	Paid warrant No. 130—Thos. Race.....	2.10
		<u>\$318.85</u>

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1905..... \$20.12

Fraternally submitted,
GILES W. MERRILL,
Secretary.

*Three petitions with fees were received previous to Dec. 31, 1904, and were accounted for in the statement for that year.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1905.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 31, 1905.

1905.	Dr.	1905.	Warrants paid.	Cr.
Jan. 2. Cash on hand..	\$33.72	Feb. 2. No. 121.....		\$30.25
Jan. 9. Rec'd from Sec.	5.00	Feb. 2. No. 122.....		7.50
Jan. 10. Rec'd from Sec.	30.00	Feb. 2. No. 123.....		10.00
Jan. 14. Rec'd from Sec.	15.00	Feb. 2. No. 124.....		68.23
Jan. 16. Rec'd from Sec.	5.00	Feb. 23. No. 120.....		12.60
Jan. 17. Rec'd from Sec.	60.00	April 5. No. 125.....		63.00
Jan. 18. Rec'd from Sec.	50.00	April 5. No. 126.....		114.59
Jan. 19. Rec'd from Sec.	10.25	April 5. No. 127.....		8.00
Feb. 2. Rec'd from Sec.	5.00	April 5. No. 128.....		1.60
Feb. 16. Rec'd from Sec.	5.00	April 5. No. 129.....		.98
Mar. 6. Rec'd from Sec.	5.00	May 31. No. 130.....		2.10
Mar. 9. Rec'd from Sec.	5.00			
Mar. 25. Rec'd from Sec.	5.00			\$318.85
Mar. 28. Rec'd from Sec.	5.00	Dec. 31. Cash on hand...		\$20.12
Mar. 30. Grand Lodge..	\$100.00			
	<u>\$338.97</u>			<u>\$338.97</u>

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

ISRAEL B. B. SPRAGUE,

Treasurer.

SUMMARY OF ABOVE.

Cash on hand Jan. 2, 1905.....	\$ 33.72
Received from Sec. during 1905.....	205.25
Grand Lodge Appropriation for printing.....	100.00
	<u>\$338.97</u>
Cash paid out on warrants signed by the President, attested by the Secretary and bearing the seal of this Association.....	\$318.85
Cash on hand and on deposit in the Second National Bank of St. Paul to the credit of this Association	20.12
	<u>\$338.97</u>

Venerable Brother P. G. M. H. R. Wells offered a resolution of regret, at the absence of our Venerable Secretary Bro. Giles W.

Merrill and our Venerable Chaplain Bro. George H. Davis, which was unanimously adopted.

Twenty-one of the newly elected brethren were then arranged at the west of the altar and were welcomed by the President in a brief and appropriate address, with the customary ceremony of the loving cup, as follows:

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS.

Venerable Brethren:

It has not been the custom for the President of this Association to welcome the newly elected brethren, but on this occasion, I must perforce perform it, and I may say it gives me great pleasure, altho I regret the circumstances which have prevented several of our eminent brethren, whom I have invited to perform this pleasant duty, from accepting the invitation. Membership in our Association implies no obligation, calls for the performance of no duties, other than voluntary contributions of its members to the interest and profitable result of our meetings. Your Masonic age assumes, and indicates, that in your time and place you have fulfilled your duties, both as men, and as Masons, and that in your appearance before this altar you are only testifying to your continued interest in, and appreciation of, our beloved order. Here we meet, not to engage in active work, but to recall in historical papers and interesting reminiscences the struggles and trials of our early Masonic history. These may, and I trust will be, not only of interest to ourselves, but of profit to posterity. Not all of you have laid off the harness, some of you are yet engaged in the active work of Masonry; but all of you can meet here with the assurance that whatever you may have done, are doing, or shall do, for the benefit of our beloved order, will be faithfully recorded, duly acknowledged and transmitted for the information of posterity. This last year has peculiarly demonstrated one of the chief features of this Association; to call to memory the lives and labors of those whom we have known and loved, and whose memory is dear to us, and whose virtues and services we seek to perpetuate.

Allow me to bid you a hearty welcome to our Association, and in this cup let us pledge our renewed fealty to the tenets and precepts of our beloved order, and when the time comes for each one of us, in turn, to render up his account to the Grand Architect of the Universe, may he be entitled to the welcome, "WELL DONE GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT, ENTER THOU INTO THE JOY OF THY LORD."

The president then delivered his annual address as follows:

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Venerable Brethren:

Another year has rolled around, and the Grim Reaper has thrust in his sickle and reaped a wide swath, of our oldest, and of our best. In an Association like ours, its very name indicates that each succeeding year will produce an increasing list of those transferred from the Earthly to the Heavenly Lodge. Never in the history of our Association has death treated us so unkindly as in the past year, the oldest and the youngest member of this Association has been gathered to the Grand Lodge above. One also whom we may truly call the founder and father of this Association has been called hence, and for this reason, and also from the fact that so many of our fraters have been taken from us, we have thought best to make this a Memorial meeting. Aside from the fraternal, social and historical features of this Association, one of its chief aims is to embalm in imperishable record the memory of the Pioneers and Fathers of Masonry. What more fitting testimonial can we give than to devote this evening, usually devoted to social intercourse and feasting, to testimony of our appreciation of the virtues and the labors of our departed fraters. Stones and monuments may mark the resting places of our departed brothers, but their virtues live in our hearts, and shall receive a fitting expression in our meetings. The past year has been a quiet one, and but few applications for membership have been received from our eligible brethren. This certainly is to be regretted, for in the records of this Association will be found a testimonial to such of the brethren as claim membership; and thus for all time a record will be made and preserved of their labors and of their worth. While I have in my possession incomplete histories of Red Wing Lodge, No. 8, furnished me by Venerable Brother Dwight M. Baldwin, whose absence we regret, and for whose future health and prosperity we voice our earnest wish; and of Hokah Lodge No. 17, furnished by Brother S. J. Prentiss, of La Crosse, Wisconsin; we have decided not to present them at this time, hoping at some future date to present them in a completed form, together with those of Mantorville, No. 9, and of Wapahasa, No. 14 thus completing the history of our lodges up to number twenty. Let me urge upon you again brethren that you aid the Association in every way within your power in preserving and recording the history of your lodges while those who are able to give the desired information are living, and able to do so. Only through the persistent efforts of our departed frater, George Reuben Metcalf, were the records of Pioneer lodges of this state rescued from oblivion. It certainly will be a stigma upon our reputation, as men and Masons, if we fail to record, and to preserve, while living, rec-

ords so essential, to present to the coming generation, an account of the labors, privations and efforts of those who established Masonry in its early days, upon a firm and enduring basis. Personally, I feel that this Association, is the bulwark and preserver of Masonry in this State. With no designs for Masonic preferment, but only an earnest wish for the preservation of Masonic records we may confidentially claim the interest and assistance of every true Mason in the state.

I regret to note the absence tonight, of our dearly beloved, and from its foundation, secretary of this Association, Brother Giles W. Merrill. Owing to the ill health of his wife, early in December he was granted leave of absence. Venerable Brother W. S. Combs kindly and cheerfully volunteered to perform the duties of his office until the end of the year. I am doing Brother Combs no injustice, nor interfering with any ambition, when I state that I hope that you will recognize Brother Merrill's faithful service, by a reelection to the office which he has so long and worthily filled. May I again ask the co-operation of all our members in interesting the eligible members of their several Lodges in joining this Association. Aside from the initiation fee, there are no dues, but there is the certainty that a brother joining this Association, will have the record of his Masonic services embalmed in the record, not only of our Association, but that of the Grand Lodge itself, which generously furnished the means, for publishing our proceedings.

NECROLOGY.

Truly the poet voices the sentiment of this meeting in these lines:

"True love's the gift which God has given,
To man alone beneath the heaven.

It is not fantasy's hot fire,
Whose wishes, soon as granted fly;

It liveth not in fierce desire,
With dead desire it doth not die;

It is the secret sympathy,
The silver link, the silken tie,
Which heart to heart, and mind to mind,
In body and in soul can bind."

It is with sad heart that I announce the death of:

BROTHER GEORGE REUBEN METCALF.

One of the founders, the first, and for ten years President of this Association, who died in Orvieto, Italy, February 28, 1905. An adequate obituary of Bro. Metcalf would necessarily include an

epitome of the history of this Association, for though he had active co-laborers in the work, he was the inspiration and the moving force which established it on its present firm foundation, and gave it its name, of being one of the very best among its Sister Associations. He was the author of the Call, issued and signed, by Alphonso Barto at that time Grand Master, and twenty-two other brethren early in the year 1892, looking to the formation of the Masonic Veteran Association of the State of Minnesota. At the meeting held in response to that call on the thirteenth of January, 1892, he was elected chairman, and O. M. Metcalf, secretary, and a committee of five was appointed to draft a constitution. At a subsequent meeting held on the evening of June 23, 1892, the organization was perfected by the adoption of a constitution, and the election of the following officers:

Brother George R. Metcalf, St. Paul, President.

Brother Benjamin F. Farmer, Spring Valley, 1st. V. P.

Brother Milton E. Powell, Redwood Falls, 2nd. V. P.

Brother Henry L. Carver, St. Paul, Treasurer.

Brother Giles W. Merrill, St. Paul, Secretary.

Brother William G. Tenbrook, Duluth, Marshal.

And thus came into being the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota, which by his enthusiastic labors and fostering care, has attained its present lusty growth. Far be it for me to attempt to pay a fitting tribute to the worth and the Masonic labors of our departed Brother. One who knew him well, both as a man and a Mason, has kindly consented to speak to us of him tonight, and I need not assure you that it will be worthily done, when I announce that such a tribute will be paid by Brother S. G. Smith.

Brother Metcalf was descended from an old New England family and was born at Brattleboro, Vermont, December 17, 1848, receiving the degree of A. B. from Amherst College in 1872, and of A. M. 1875. He graduated from the Medical Department of Columbia University, New York, in 1874. After practicing for several years in New York City, he removed to St. Paul in 1881, where as a general practitioner he attained marked success. In 1870 he embarked on that long and brilliant Masonic career with whose later history we are so familiar. He was initiated in Pacific Lodge, Amherst, Mass., June 13, Passed, July 11, and Raised, July 11, 1870. At the time of his death he was a member of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, ex-member of Central Chapter, No. 70, R. A. M. at Syracuse, New York; of St. Paul Council, No. 1, R. & S. M. Paladin Commandery, No. 21, K. T., Minnesota Consistory, A. A. S. R., and Osman Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. In these bodies he held the positions of W. M., St. Paul Lodge, No. 3; E. C. Paladin Commandery, No. 21; Master of Kadosh, Minnesota Consistory, No. 1, for ten years; Potentate of Osman Temple, for two years; K. C. C. H. and Inspector

General Honorary, 33 degree A.°. A.°. S.°. R.°.; representative of the Grand Lodges of New Hampshire and Cuba, and ex-member of the Royal Order of Scotland; all of which positions he filled with conspicuous ability, and exemplified by his life the highest ideals of our beloved order. Becoming interested in the Masonic Veteran Movement he was not only, as already stated, one of the founders of this Association, but also a member of the Connecticut Masonic Veteran Association, Honorary member of the Masonic Associations of the Pacific Coast, Illinois, Cuba, Brooklyn, New York, England, Scotland, and South Dakota.

It was through his association and correspondence with these associations, that he was enabled to enrich our proceedings with so many contributions of great Masonic interest and value. Possessing a highly cultured, and well stored mind, he has laid the Craft in Minnesota and elsewhere under enduring obligation, and erected a monument to his memory, which will prove more lasting than one of marble, by rescuing from oblivion, and preserving in the Archives of Masonry, the record of early Masonry in Minnesota. This he did in two notable papers; "The History of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3," and the "Historical Address on the occasion of the Semi-Centennial of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota," in 1903, at which time he was the chairman of the committee on Semi-Centennial Observance, and the Historian of that occasion.

The foregoing is but a faint outline of Brother Metcalf's Masonic labors, and in no way indicates the vast amount of time and energy, which in a whole souled and unselfish manner he devoted to the Craft. I do not desire to trench upon the prerogative of the speaker who is to follow me, but I must pay my personal tribute of love and appreciation to our departed Brother. Modest, and in no sense self-seeking, notwithstanding his worth as a man and as a Mason, he often found himself outstripped in the bestowal of official honors, by others, less worthy. Brother Metcalf was a rare man, with none of the wiles and devices of the mere politician. He was content to pursue his way working to the high ideal which he held of a man's position in the world. Cultured far beyond the average, with a facile pen, with a deep interest in all matters pertaining to the highest interest of Masonry, he contented himself with the knowledge of performing his work well, leaving to posterity the obligation of assigning to him the honor due to his labors. I feel it an honor and a privilege to have counted him my friend, for he was one of those rare souls, appreciated by some, but not by all, who have conferred more honor upon the Craft than they have received.

BROTHER JOHN LANDBERG.

An active member was born in Sweden, Aug. 21, 1845. He was made a Mason in Golden Sheaf Lodge, No. 133, at Morris, Minnesota,

Dec. 26, 1877. He afterwards joined Ark Lodge, No. 176, at Minneapolis. He was a member of St. Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., of Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, No. 23, K. T. of Zurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He was sheriff of Stevens, Big Stone and Traverse Counties at various times for several years, and afterwards served as Captain and Major of the Minneapolis police force. He was quite prominent in local political circles. He was a good citizen and an efficient officer. He died in Minneapolis, Jan. 7th, 1904. The notice of his death was received too late for our 1904 proceedings.

BROTHER ALBERT J. SNURE.

Was born in Ontario, Canada, in 1845. He was an engineer by occupation, and was made a Mason in Hokah Lodge, No. 17, in May 1868. He was a member of Hokah Chapter, No. 16, R. A. M., of Caledonia, Minnesota. He has held the office of W. M. of Hokah Lodge, and secretary of Hokah Chapter, No. 16. He served in the Civil War as a Private in Co. "C" in the 67th Illinois Infantry. He died at Phoenix, Arizona, Dec. 24, 1904. The failure to obtain a more extended account of Brother Snure's life and Masonic history is to be regretted.

BROTHER THOMAS GARTSIDE.

Was born in Greenfield, Yorkshire, England, June 29, 1828. At the age of ten he began to work in the woolen mills, but afterwards learned the shoemakers' trade. He came to America in 1849, and resided for a time in Philadelphia. Afterwards he took up railroading on the Housatonic Ry., in Connecticut, where he rapidly worked his way up to the position of locomotive engineer, which profession he followed for a number of years. During the last ten years of his life, he made his home with his son Frank, in Winona, Minnesota. He was an earnest Christian, being actively identified with the Methodist Church for over forty years. He was a kindly whole souled gentleman, whose heart was easily touched by the suffering and needs of others. He died at Le Raysville, Pa., March 11, 1905.

He was made a Mason in Friendship Lodge, No. 153, Owego, New York, in 1856, afterwards becoming a member of Hornellsville Lodge, No. 331, of Stueben Chapter, No. 101, R. A. M., and of De Molay Commandery, No. 22, K. T., all of Hornellsville, New York, of Winona Consistory, No. 4, A. A. S. R., and of Zurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Minneapolis. Brother Gartside was an earnest and loyal Mason, well known and honored by the Craft in Minnesota.

BROTHER THOMAS JEFFERSON LOMBARD.

An honorary member, was born at Waterville, Maine, May 30, 1814. About 1850 he removed to Chicago, and shortly thereafter to Shakopee,

Minnesota. In 1887 he removed to Hudson, Wisconsin, and was employed in the railroad shops of the Omaha Railway until within a few years, when he was retired on account of his age. By occupation he was a carpenter, and he belonged to the Universalist church. He was made a Mason in Wooster Lodge, No. 79, New Haven, Connecticut, in 1851, and afterwards joined King Solomon's Lodge, No. 24, at Shakopee, Minnesota. He was a member of Damascus Commandery, No. 1, K. T. of St. Paul. He was a member of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. He died at Hudson, Wisconsin, March 12, 1905, and was buried with Masonic honors, G. M. Henry M. Tusler of Minnesota officiating. Ripe in years, and honored by all who knew him, he was a credit to the craft, and his loss is to be regretted.

BROTHER LORENZO DAY.

Was born in Wesley, Maine, in 1835, by occupation he was a lumberman, and his religious persuasion Methodist. He was made a Mason in Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, in 1872. He was a member of St. Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., of Minneapolis Council, No. 2, R. & S. M., of Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, No. 23, K. T., Minneapolis Consistory, No. 2, A. A. S. R., and of Zurah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., all of Minneapolis. It is to be regretted that we have received no biographical sketch of this active and good man and Mason. He died in California, March 24, 1905.

BROTHER HIRAM D. BROWN.

An active member, was born in Lorraine, New York, in 1848. He came to Lake City, this state in 1862, and at Red Wing learned the printers' trade. He published for twelve years the Wabasha County Sentinel, making it a power in his community and in the state. He came to St. Paul in 1881. In 1883 he became senior member of the firm of Brown & Treacy, which later became the firm of Brown, Treacy & Co., and still later Brown, Treacy & Sperry Company. He was also engaged in other lines of business, in which he was conspicuously successful. The establishment which he founded remains as a monument to his unflagging industry and excellent judgment. He was of a kind and amiable disposition, and made friends on every hand. He was thoroughly loyal to his home state, proud of her good name, happy in her prosperity, and always did what he could to enhance her standing and reputation. He passed away from the scene, respected and esteemed by the community for which he labored. In the very prime of life he was taken from us. He died April 16th, 1905. He was made a Mason in Carnelian Lodge, No. 40, Lake City, Minnesota, in 1872. After coming to St. Paul he joined Summit Lodge, No. 163. He was a

member of Summit Chapter, No. 45, and of Paladin Commandery, No. 21, of Osman Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., all of St. Paul. He had served as S. W. of the Blue Lodge, and as King in the Chapter.

BROTHER JOHN MINOT DAGGETT.

An honorary member, and without doubt the oldest Mason in Minnesota, died at his home in Minneapolis on May 14, 1905. Brother Daggett was born in the town of Strong, Maine, June 25, 1818. Under dispensation, he was initiated in the Star in the East Lodge, No. 23, New Bedford, Mass., on June 23, 1841, passed June 23, 1841, and raised June 25, 1841. Going to sea two days afterward, as mate of the ship, he states in his application that the captain of the ship was a Mason, and posted him in the several degrees. He followed the sea for several years, and during that time he visited Masonic Lodges in Africa, Asia, Australia, Van Diemens Land, Ceylon, Mauritiss, Zanzibar, and in Central and South America. During his long Masonic career, he was member of Star in the East Lodge for twenty years, of Metropolitan Lodge No. 49, of Dubuque, Iowa, for three years, then became a charter member of Martin Lodge, No. 491, Dunleith, Illinois, of which he was W. M. for fifteen years. Removing to Alliston, Iowa, he became a member of Opal Lodge, No. 417, of which he was W. M., and where he retained membership for ten years. He finally found his Masonic resting place in Shekinah Lodge, No. 171, Minn., in which he held a life membership. He was a member of Dubuque Chapter, No. 3, R. A. M., at the time of his death and an honorary member of Siloam Commandery, No. 3, K. T., of the same place. He was a member of Harmony Chapter, No. 8, O. E. S. of Minneapolis. During his long life he was honored with many positions of trust in civil life, notably Police Magistrate in Illinois for eight years, Justice of the Peace for four years in the same state, and three years in Iowa, in which state he was also postmaster at Alliston. Although eighty-seven years of age at the time of his death, he was still able to deliver the lectures in the various degrees in a perfect manner, and he left a record of an active and well spent life, a credit to himself, and an honor to the fraternity with which he was so long and prominently connected. He died at Minneapolis, May 14, 1905, and was buried under the auspices of Shekinah Lodge, No. 171.

BROTHER JOSEPH OSMOND PATTEE.

An active member, was born in New Hampshire, Sept. 17, 1839, and passed away at St. Paul, May 24, 1905. He was brought

to Masonic Light in Watertown Lodge, No. 49, Watertown, Wisconsin, Nov. 15, Passed December 13, 1860, Raised January 14, 1861. At the time of his death he was a member of Summit Lodge, No. 163, St. Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., Paladin Commandery K. T., Minneapolis Consistory, No. 2, A. A. S. R. and Osman Temple. By profession Brother Pattee was a mechanical engineer. He came to Minnesota in 1871, and he became master mechanic of the Milwaukee road at Minneapolis. Several years later he became master mechanic of the Manitoba Road, and later of the Great Northern. He afterwards went to St. Louis to accept the same position with the Missouri Pacific, returning from that city three years ago, since which time he has devoted his time to looking after his property interests in St. Paul.

BROTHER ELIAS WILLIAM MORTIMER.

An active member, died at Minneapolis, August 6, 1905. He was born in Hastings, England, May 24, 1837, coming to this country at the age of eighteen and locating at St. Paul, and later removing to St. Anthony. He enlisted in Co. "F," 5th Minnesota, and served from 1863 to 1865. He received the Masonic degrees in Khurum Lodge, No. 112, in 1877, and was a member of St. Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., Darius Commandery, No. 7, K. T., and of Zurah Temple, all of Minneapolis. After the war he entered the employ of the Minneapolis, St. Paul & Manitoba Railway, and later he engaged with the Minneapolis & St. Louis Railway, and was city passenger agent for that road for over thirty years. He served as a member of the Minneapolis Police Commission, and had served as Post Commander, Department Commander, and a member of the staff of the Commander in Chief for several terms of the G. A. R. He leaves a wife and two married daughters. He was buried under the auspices of the G. A. R.

BROTHER WILLIAM PARKER JEWETT.

An active member, died in St. Paul, August 17, 1905. He was a son of Dr. Chas. Jewett, and was born in Plainfield, Connecticut, August 25, 1848. In his early life he was employed as a land surveyor, and as such conducted many surveys in Minnesota and North Dakota. For twenty-one years he occupied the position of land commissioner of the Sioux City & St. Paul Railway Company. He studied law, and graduated from the Minnesota State University and devoted himself to the legal profession, making the land laws a specialty. He was brought to Masonic light in Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, Feb. 29, Passed March 14, and Raised March 21,

1872, and at the time of his death he was a member of that Lodge; of Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M.; St. Paul Council, No. 1, R. & S. M.; Damascus Commandery, No. 1, K. T.; Minnesota Consistory, No. 1, A. A. S. R., and of Osman Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He had served as S. W. of Ancient Landmark Lodge; High Priest Minnesota Chapter; P. C. W. St. Paul Council R. & S. M.; S. W. Damascus Commandery; Wise Master St. Paul Chapter, No. 1, Knights Rose Croix; Commander De Molay Council No. 1, Knights Kadosh; and Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter, R. A. M., Minnesota. He was a member of the Minnesota and Commercial Clubs, and of the House of Hope Church. Genial in manner, courteous in spirit, active in all good works, his untimely death in the meridian of life came as a shock to the community.

BROTHER JOHN RICHARD CAREY.

An active member, died at Duluth, Aug. 25, 1905. He was born in Bangor, Maine, March 3, 1830. At the age of eighteen he graduated from the High school at New Bedford, Hartford county, Connecticut, and for a time was engaged in the lumber business, formerly conducted by his father. In 1853 he joined a colonizing party of New Englanders, composed of eighty-five persons, and came to Minnesota with the intention of taking up large tracts of land, and engaging in extensive farming. The point selected by the colony was near the present location of Faribault, but owing to the fact that speculators had monopolized the land, this attempt was a failure, the party breaking up and scattering to different points in the state. Brother Carey engaged in the shoe business with Luke Marvin of St. Paul. In Sept. 1854, he was married to Miss Hannah E. Terry of New York state, and in 1855 removed to Superior, where he engaged in the boot and shoe business. In 1857 he located in Duluth which he made his permanent home. Entering political life in 1859, he was elected and served as Judge of Probate Court of St. Louis county for twelve years; he also served as Clerk of District Court, United States Commissioner, and Register of the United States Land office, receiving the Masonic degrees in Palestine Lodge, No. 79, in 1869. From that time on his life was one of great Masonic activity. He was a member of Keystone Chapter, No. 20, R. A. M., Duluth Council, No. 6, R. & S. M., Duluth Commandery, No. 18, K. T., Duluth Consistory, A. A. S. R. all of Duluth, and of Osman Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of St. Paul. Of these various bodies he served as presiding officer of the Blue Lodge and Chapter, and as Prelate of the Commandery. The thirty-third degree was conferred upon him in Oct. 1897. His funeral took place from the Masonic Temple in accordance with the Ancient Kadosh Ceremonies.

As pioneer, merchant, attorney, politician, and author, Judge Carey passed away, one of Minnesota's most respected and loved citizens.

BROTHER HIRAM TICHNOR KING.

An active member, and the youngest member of this Association died at Stillwater, August 20, 1905. He was born in Wisconsin, June 27, 1859. At five years of age his parents removed to Mankato where he attended the public school. He came to Stillwater in the year 1875, and engaged in the drug business with Henry M. Crandall, and continued in the employ of King & Seymour, and later became junior partner in the firm of King Brothers, and so continued until his death. He married July 5, 1888, Gracia, daughter of Mrs. Helen Torinus, who died Sept. 21, 1889. He received the Masonic degrees in St. Johns Lodge, No. 1, in 1880, and at the time of his death was a member of that lodge; of Washington Chapter, No. 17, R. A. M.; Bayard Commandery, No. 11, K. T.; Minnesota Consistory, No. 1, A. A. S. R.; Osman Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; and Stillwater Chapter, O. E. S. He had served two terms as W. M., King of his Chapter, and E. C. of Bayard Commandery. He was genial in manner, lovable in spirit and active in the business, social and fraternal life of his home city. To those who knew and loved him, his loss is irreparable.

BROTHER ROMAINE SHIERE.

Died in St. Paul, September 11, 1905. He was born in Lexington, Green County, New York, February 21, 1833. He was made a Mason in St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, on Oct. 19, 1866, and was a member of that Lodge at the time of his death. He was formerly a member of Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M. in which he had served as Master of the Second Vail. He enlisted in Co. "F," 1st Regiment, Michigan Engineers, in Detroit, Michigan, on Oct. 19, 1861. He served in that organization, reinlisted as a veteran, in 1864, marched with Sherman to the sea, with the rank of sergeant, and finally was discharged, Oct. 1, 1865. He belonged to the Baptist church. He had been prominent in other Fraternal Orders and had been presiding officer in the I. O. O. F.; the U. A. A. D.; A. O. U. W.; I. O. G. T.; and the Loyal Orange Order, as well as Grand Treasurer of the Grand Encampment, I. O. O. F. He was the oldest surviving member of the A. O. U. W. In his application under civil record we find, "An honorable and law abiding citizen." What better epitaph could be written of any of us.

BROTHER JOHN FRANKLIN HOYT.

Died at Glasgow, Montana, September 18, 1905. He was born in Ohio, May 16, 1830, and came to St. Paul with his parents in 1848. Two years ago, he and his wife went to Montana, to live with their children, and there he died. He was brought to Masonic Light in Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, March 7, Passed March 14, and Raised, May 30, 1865, and at the time of his death was still a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge. Judge Hoyt was prominently identified with the early history of St. Paul, and the Northwest. He was twice elected Probate Judge in the early days of Ramsey County, he was also County Auditor, County Commissioner, Member of the Board of Public Works, and a Member of the Water Board for sixteen years, and President of the same for ten years. He was a charter member of the St. Paul Library Association. He was an honest and upright man, and his death was a loss to the community and to the Craft.

BROTHER OLIVER H. PHILLIP.

Died at Dodge Center, Oct. 5, 1905. He was born in the city of Rochester, New York, July 26, 1834, and was the youngest and the last to pass away of a family of eleven children. Immigrating to Minnesota in 1855, he settled on a farm near the village of Wasioja, when by the death of his father he was called back to his old home, where he remained until the fall of 1862, when he returned to Minnesota. He engaged in farming until 1876, when he embarked in the newspaper business, publishing the Dodge Center Press, Dodge Center Index, Dodge County Record, and later he established the Norman County Herald at Ada, Minnesota. In 1889, he returned to Dodge Center, repurchased the Record, which he has since owned. By profession Brother Phillip was a Baptist, and in politics, a Democrat of the old school, and was appointed postmaster by President Cleveland in '93. He received the degrees of Masonry in Washington Lodge, No. 38, Wasioja, Minnesota, in 1871, he was charter member of Relief Lodge, No. 108, of which he was W. M. for several years at different periods, and at the time of his death he was treasurer of the Lodge. He was also a charter member, and the First Master Workman of Summit Lodge, No. 25, A. O. U. W. He was a member of the Territorial Pioneers. He was a quiet, kindly, safe, and sane citizen, who always held himself true. He was also a member of Tabernacle Chapter, No. 18, R. A. M. of which he filled the office of Scribe.

BROTHER CHARLES W. JELLISON.

An active member, died Dec. 26, 1905 at his home in Stillwater where he had resided for fifty years. He received the Masonic

Degrees in St. Johns Lodge, No. 1, Stillwater, Minnesota, being initiated May 21, Passed Aug. 6, 1866, and Raised to the degree of Master Mason on Oct. 14, 1867. In 1868 he received the degrees in Washington Royal Arch Chapter, R. A. M. No. 17, and at the time of his death retained his membership in both of these bodies. Brother Jellison was born in Maine, Sept. 28, 1828. He spent his youth in the lumbering business. In 1855 he arrived in Stillwater, and the following summer he engaged in farming. In 1857 he again engaged in lumbering, being employed by the St. Croix Boom Company as Boom Master, which position he occupied until the time of his death. In the language of one who knew him well, C. W. Jellison was a fine type of American manhood, sturdy, honest in all his dealings, he knew not the meaning of the word deceit. He was brought up to hard work, was one of the sons of toil. He did his part well, and in his death the community suffers a distinct loss. For over forty years he was a consistent and faithful member of the First Presbyterian Church of Stillwater, and a regular attendant at its services. Such men constitute the brawn and sinew of our country, and both as a man and as a Mason he has left a record to be imitated by his brethren.

Venerable Brother Samuel G. Smith was then introduced and delivered an eloquent eulogy in memory of our past President, Venerable Brother George Reuben Metcalf. It is to be regretted that a stenographer, who had been engaged, and confidently expected to be present, failed to appear, and for the second time, the in their entirety in our proceedings. This is doubly to be regretted from the fact that owing to the pressure of other duties Bro. Smith was unable to furnish us with even a synopsis of his remarks on that occasion. He spoke of Brother Metcalf as a rare and beautiful soul only to be fully appreciated by intimate association, and the bestowal of his confidence. He mentioned that he was an Archaeologist, of not only local, but of foreign repute, being well known in Europe for his Masonic labors and researches. Dr. Smith mentioned that it was his privilege to have traveled with him in foreign countries, and by daily association, to have become familiar with his many rare qualities. In every city visited his first thought seemed to be of Masons and Masonry, and he immediately proceeded to make himself acquainted as far as possible, with all that could be learned in regard to the same. He was a true artist; all that was beautiful in nature or art appealed to him. The flowers, the trees, a beautiful sunset, all equally attracted him, as well as the beauties of architecture as exemplified in the cathedrals and other beautiful buildings of the old country. Brother Metcalf, he stated was not much of a believer in creeds, and might have been called somewhat skeptical, but he revered all that was good and true and beautiful, and his ideals were far above those of the average man. In his death, not only the Craft, but the community in which he lived and the world at large lost a brother and a citizen of rare repute.

At the close of Bro. Smith's address, the members of this Association to the number of one hundred and twenty-five repaired to the banquet room and filled up on the good things, prepared by the ladies of St. Paul Chapter of the O. E. S.

After Grace by Venerable Brother Samuel G. Smith, the President read the following letters:

Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 9, 1906.

Dear Brother Clark:

I have never had an opportunity since leaving Red Wing to do any thing further towards completing the history of Red Wing Lodge, No. 8, and I see no probability of being able to do so, but I hand you herewith copy of the notes which I briefly made covering the time from the organization of the Lodge down to the end of the year 1867, which is a synopsis of the early history and if you think of sufficient interest you can use it. I regret that I could not have brought it down to a later date, but there was nothing transpired out of the ordinary proceedings of special interest, excepting the "branching off" of some of the members and organization of "Arcturus Lodge No. 130," which after running a few years surrendered its charter and its members nearly unanimously returned and affiliated with their "first love," which is all a matter of record in the archives of the Grand Lodge.

I have arranged to start for my winter cruise on the 15th inst. which will again deprive me of the pleasure of meeting with the Venerable Brethren at the annual "Love Feast" which I very much regret, and with the earnest hope that the occasion may be fully entertaining and successful as all those heretofore and that the Association may continue to grow and prosper, I remain,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

DWIGHT M. BALDWIN.

Faribault, Minn., Jan. 15, 1906.

Dear Brother Clark:

It was only this morning that I wrote Brother Merrill I would not be able to attend the meeting of the Veteran Association. I regret this more than you can know. Since our last meeting I have been elected to the charge of this school, and just at this time there are special duties which forbid my absence. I shall miss the annual meeting with the Veterans, which I have always found one of the most enjoyable occasions of the year. I also regret that I can not be present to say a word of loving tribute to the memory of Brother George R. Metcalf. He was a man I most highly esteemed and loved, and I count it one of my precious memories that I was honored with his friendship. It was only a short time before his death that I had a long letter from him, written in that intensely interesting style of which he was master,

and in which he had so few equals. Curiously enough it happened that much he wrote was in exact line with a sermon I was preparing for the following Sunday, and as an apt illustration of a point I was endeavoring to make, I quoted nearly two pages from that letter. Bro. Metcalf never knew he preached to my congregation. Many a time unknown, he has preached to us of his loved fraternity, and we shall do well if we heed his words of wisdom. "May he rest in peace."

Thanking you for your kind words, and hoping the success of the annual meeting may exceed your most sanguine expectations, I am, with regards to all the brethren,

Sincerely and fraternally,
GEORGE H. DAVIS.

The toast the M. W. G. L. of Minnesota was responded to in a very pleasant address by P. G. M. W. A. McGonagle, as follows:

Venerable Brethren:

When your President wrote me one short week ago, and in that persuasive manner for which he is so noted asked me to be his guest this evening, he coupled with the courteous invitation an urgent request that I respond on this occasion to the sentiment, "The most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of the state of Minnesota" and like a good soldier I decided—

"Theirs not to reason why
Theirs but to do or die."

And so I am here among the Veterans of Masonry privileged beyond my deserts to associate for a time with those grand characters of our Minnesota Grand Lodge, who in the period of darkness struggled on and on, that we their successors in the active work of freemasonry might enjoy the glorious heritage which they by their labors and self-sacrifice have been enabled to hand down to us in all its spotless purity and integrity.

The Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota! What glorious memories of the past and what bright hopes of the future are linked with that great organization of men and Masons. It is an inspiration to delve into the history of our institution as promulgated at our Golden Jubilee and note the character, industry and enterprise possessed by every pioneer of that great formative period. A few, a very few indeed, of these pioneers are still with us, the snows of age and infirmity are upon them, but there still shines in their eyes the old light of intellect and fraternal love that indicates to the beginner in our mysteries the material upon which was founded our great and glorious institution. To those who still survive the withering blasts of time and disability I humbly bow in respect and even envy them the proud position that they hold in the hearts of our younger members. To the memory of those who have passed beyond and have entered the portals of the Supreme Grand Lodge on High, we pay tribute by recording

the deeds they performed so well on the pages of our Masonic histories that the coming generations of Masons may learn to imitate their noble examples.

It is meet and proper at this time that I lay upon the grave of a specially beloved brother, the sprig of acacia that symbolizes the immortality of the soul of our lamented Brother George R. Metcalf. Gifted as but few Masons are in the knowledge of the antiquity of our institution and its landmarks, gifted also in the power of imparting this information both orally and by document, he has imprinted his personality on our institution in a manner never before approached. He has made Minnesota Masonry stand before the world as a standard of excellence and an overflowing fountain of information. His history read at the Golden Jubilee of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota is a Masonic Classic and has been sought for by Masons of all degrees in every state. The loss of such a Mason is well nigh irreparable to our institution, but having fought the good fight and finished the work, who would deprive him of that Crown of Righteousness that is laid up for those who labor in His name. For the M. W. Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of the state of Minnesota and for the thousands of Masons throughout our jurisdiction who appreciate his services to Masonry I desire to pay loving tribute to this manly man, this ripe scholar and this worthy craftsman who has engraved in living letters on the tablets of history the deeds of the pioneers of Masonry in our great commonwealth.

And now Venerable Brethren I desire to return my thanks for the signal honor of being permitted to be present on this occasion. I look forward with pleasure to the time when my Masonic age will permit me to become a member of your organization. I have the highest regard for the purposes of your Association and can testify to the vast services that you have done to the Most Worshipful, Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota.

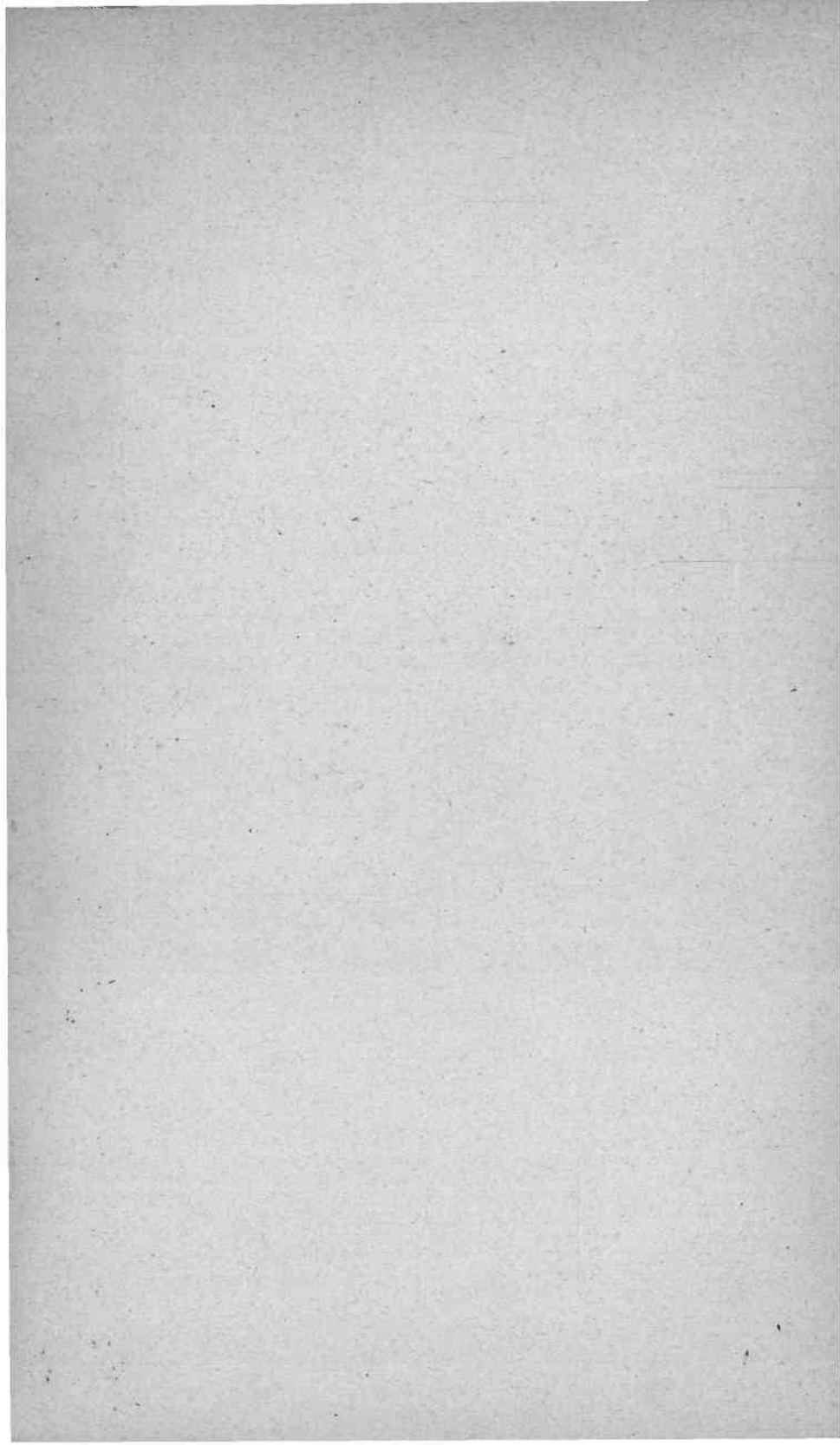
On motion the proceedings were ordered printed.

The session of the Fourteenth Annual Reunion of the Masonic Veterans Association then closed and the brethren dispersed at 11 P. M.

WILLIAM S. COMBS,
Acting Secretary.

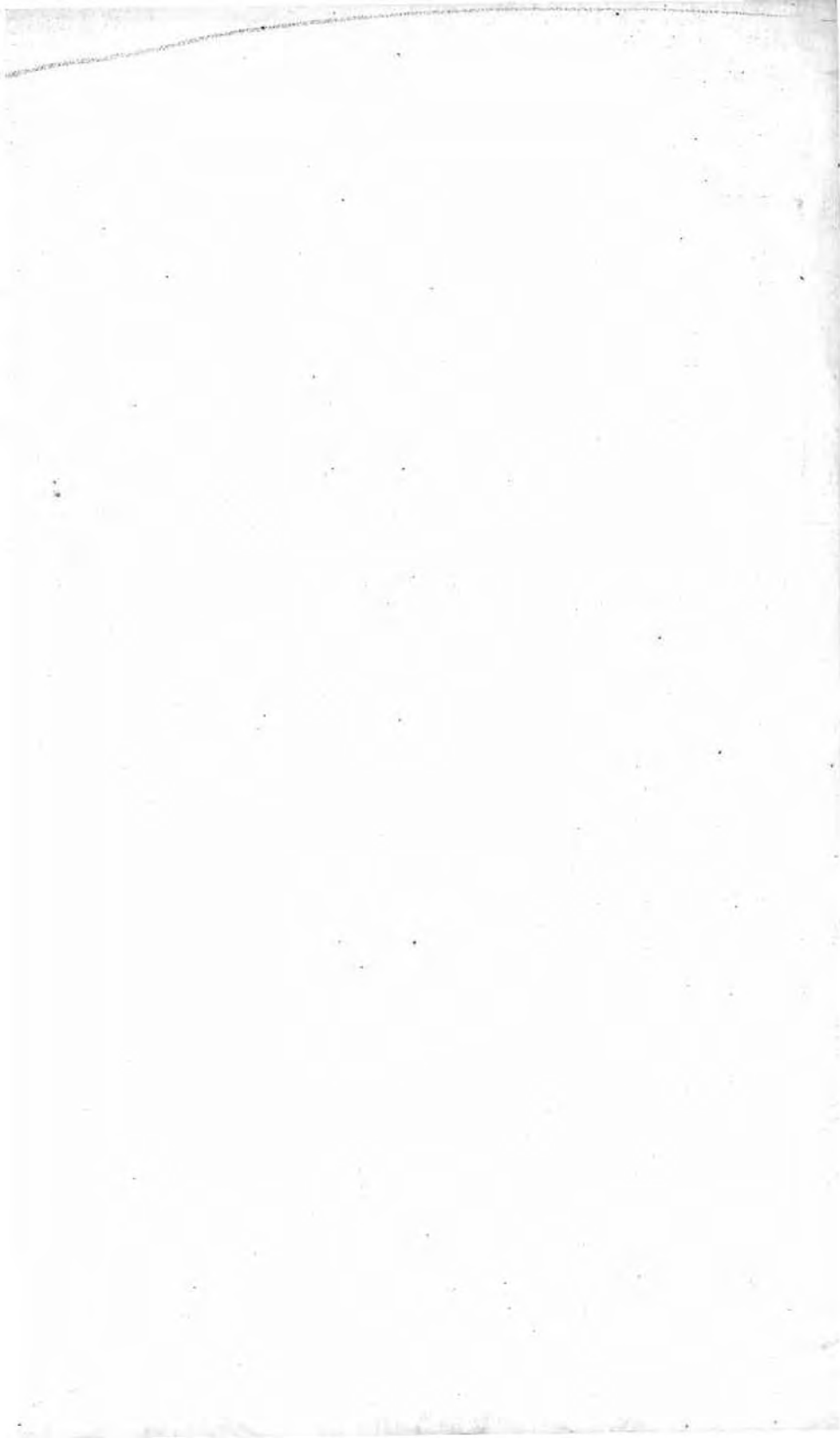
ROSTER OF MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA—Continued.

Certificate Number.	Name.	Residence.	Date Made Master Mason	Date of Election.	Present Lodge Membership.	
					Lodge	No.
549	Jesse Norton	Duluth	March 28, 1882	April 1, 1905	Ionic	183
556	Chas. Wesley More	Eveleth	June 26, 1882	April 1, 1905	Eveleth	239
557	Henry Sisson	Duluth	Jan. 17, 1853	April 1, 1905	Fairstone	79
558	Wm. Delancy Richardson	St. Paul	Aug. 14, 1873	April 1, 1905	Ancient Landmark	5
559	Tom Henry Spink	White Bear	May 20, 1884	May 24, 1905	Ancient Landmark	5
560	William Henry Lyon	Minneapolis	May 21, 1884	May 24, 1905	Minneapolis	19
561	Jasper Newton Scarls	Stillwater	June 11, 1884	Jan. 17, 1906	St. Johns	1
562	John McCabe	Mazeppa	June 11, 1884	Jan. 17, 1906	Tyrian	85
563	John T. Johnson	Fergus Falls	May 6, 1884	Jan. 17, 1906	Corner Stone	89
564	Edgar Nash	Minneapolis	Jan. 8, 1889	Jan. 17, 1906	Khurum	112
565	George Benz	St. Paul	Dec. 7, 1878	Jan. 17, 1906	Ancient Landmark	5
566	Perry A. Bean	Verndale	July 14, 1883	Jan. 17, 1906	Crescent	207
567	Sheridan G. Cobb	St. Paul	Nov. 2, 1884	Jan. 17, 1906	Triune	190
568	Francis M. Bergen	Graceville	Feb. 2, 1884	Jan. 17, 1906	Friendship	211
569	A. W. Stinchfield	Rochester	Feb. 20, 1875	Jan. 17, 1906	Rochester	21
570	Frederic Joerns	St. Paul	Oct. 18, 1880	Jan. 17, 1906	Tusler	263
571	J. M. F. Cooper	Manorville	Jan. 24, 1882	Jan. 17, 1906	Manorville	11
572	Chas. Goodrich Shipman	Ely, St. Louis Co.	Feb. 21, 1884	Jan. 17, 1906	Vermillion	197
573	Edward Orvil Ingals	St. Paul	Feb. 29, 1889	Jan. 17, 1906	Franklin, N. H.	6
574	John Dudley Tolman	Minneapolis	June 20, 1868	Jan. 17, 1906	Arcana	79
575	William Gray	St. Anthony Park	Dec. 29, 1880	Jan. 17, 1906	Ark	175
576	William Wentworth Sivright	Hutchinson	Dec. 8, 1889	Jan. 17, 1906	Temple	59
577	Albert A. Clausen	Merrimack Park	Feb. 26, 1876	Jan. 17, 1906	Triune	190
578	John S. Way	Northfield	Aug. 8, 1883	Jan. 17, 1906	Social	48
579	Geo. H. Glass	St. Paul	Jan. 15, 1881	Jan. 17, 1906	Midway	185
580	Lyman D. Baird	Austin	March 29, 1882	Jan. 17, 1906	Fidelity	29
581	William Henry Tomlinson	Le Sueur	Nov. 20, 1869	Jan. 17, 1906	Union	45
582	Willard A. Curtis	St. Paul	Aug. 13, 1881	Jan. 17, 1906	Durant, Wis.	149
583	William S. Shepard	So. St. Paul	Sept. 11, 1882	Jan. 17, 1906	Mizpah	191
584	Henry A. Humphrey	Minneapolis	Sept. 11, 1882	Jan. 17, 1906	Catact	2
585	Edgar Ossian Ballard	Minneapolis	March 8, 1882	Jan. 17, 1906	Catact	2
586	Geo. Washington Hall	Minneapolis	July 2, 1884	Jan. 17, 1906	Plymouth	160





HENRY M. TUSLER
M. W. GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF MINNESOTA
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OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

Room 315 Dispatch Building, 4th and Minnesota Streets.

ST. PAUL, January 4, 1906.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge:

DEAR BRETHREN:

The fifty-third Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota will be held in Masonic Hall (near Windsor Hotel), **St. Paul**, commencing at **noon on**

Wednesday, January 17, 1906.

A rate of a fare and one-third over all railroads in the state may be expected on the certificate plan. Purchase your tickets at stations and junction points, paying full fare, and taking a receipt from the station agent selling same. These receipts must be handed to me at Grand Lodge, before noon of the 18th, for my signature and the stamp of the designated joint R. R. agent. When so signed and stamped, *and not otherwise*, the rightful holder, on payment of a fee of 25 cents to said joint agent, can secure a return ticket at one-third the regular rate. Tickets costing 50 cents or less are not included in above offer. Tickets may be bought as early as three days before the 17th, and to return as late as three days after the close of Grand Lodge (Sunday not to be counted). Representatives are requested to bring their official jewels and aprons.

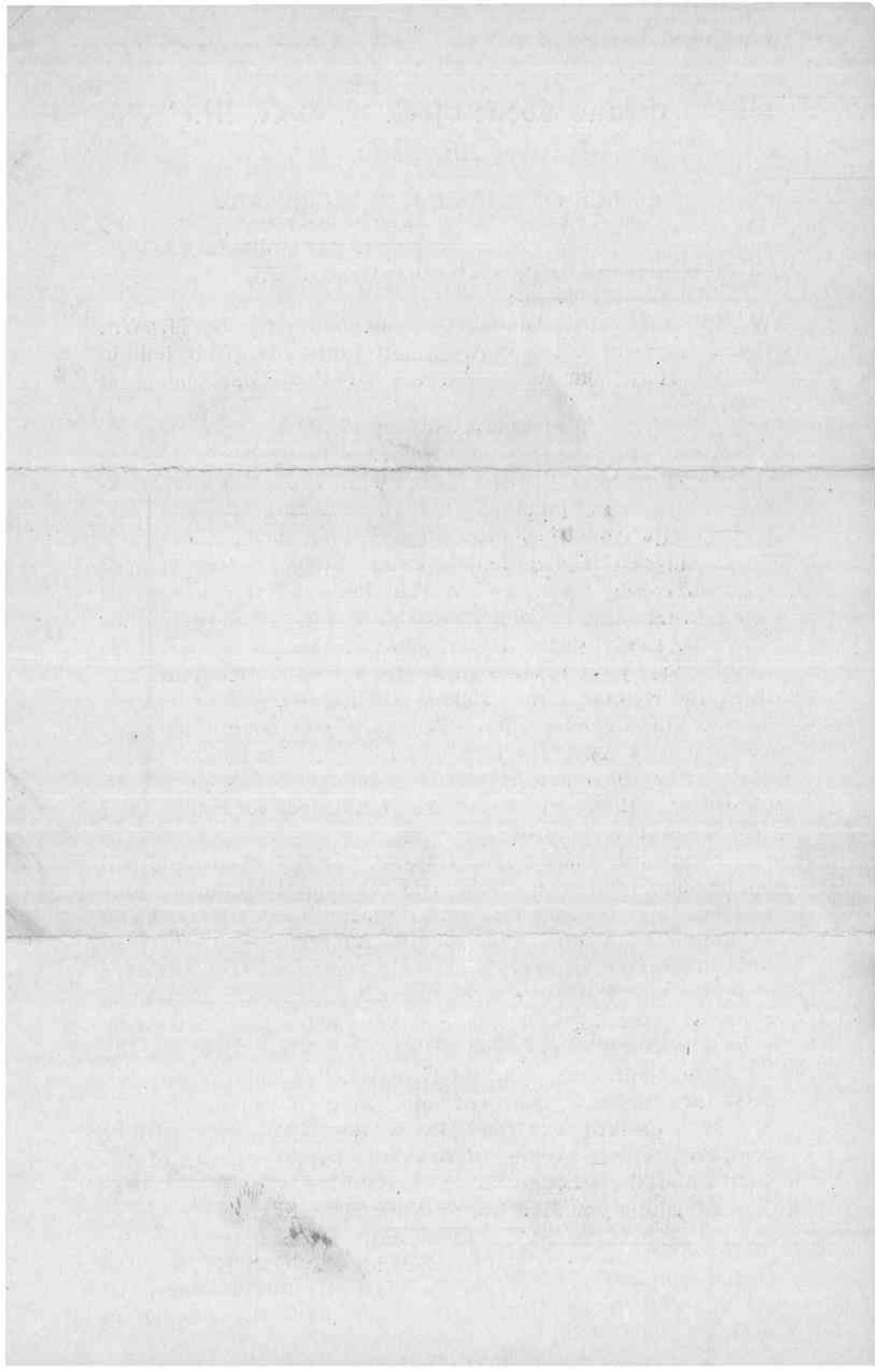
The board of custodians, Chas. Griswold, chairman, will hold a school of instruction in said Masonic Hall, on Monday and Tuesday, January 15th and 16th, forenoon, afternoon and evening. All Masters and Wardens are earnestly urged to attend this school, as great benefit will be derived therefrom.

Worshipful Masters receiving this notice will kindly hand enclosed copies to their Wardens or other brethren who propose attending Grand Lodge. They will also please comply with the requirements of the Grand Lodge, relative to petitions for relief and reports of relief funds disbursed.

By request of the Grand Master, the third degree will be conferred, on the evening of the 17th, by the officers of Ancient Land Mark Lodge No. 5, St. Paul.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year, I am

Fraternally Yours,
THOMAS MONTGOMERY,
Grand Secretary.



OFFICERS OF THE Grand Lodge of A.: F.: & A.: M.: of Minnesota

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ELECTED.

M.:W.:BRO. THOMAS MORRIS	CROOKSTON	GRAND MASTER
R.:W.:BRO. GUSTAF WIDELL	MANKATO	DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
R.:W.:BRO. WILLIAM P. ROBERTS	MINNEAPOLIS	SENIOR GRAND WARDEN
R.:W.:BRO. EUGENE E. SWAN	STEWART	JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN
R.:W.:BRO. DAVID W. KNOWLTON	MINNEAPOLIS	GRAND TREASURER
R.:W.:BRO. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, ST. PAUL		GRAND SECRETARY

APPOINTED.

W.:BRO. OWEN MORRIS	ST. PAUL	GRAND ORATOR
W.:BRO. ALFRED G. PINKHAM	OWATONNA	GRAND CHAPLAIN
W.:BRO. SHELDON L. FRAZER	DULUTH	SENIOR GRAND DEACON
W.:BRO. HORACE M. MYERS	MINNEAPOLIS	JUNIOR GRAND DEACON
W.:BRO. H. W. HENDRICKSON	MONTEVIDEO	GRAND MARSHAL
W.:BRO. WILLIAM A. NOLAN	GRAND MEADOW	GRAND STANDARD BEARER
W.:BRO. EDWIN H. FOOT	RED WING	GRAND SWORD BEARER
W.:BRO. W. C. MASTERMAN	STILLWATER	SENIOR GRAND STEWARD
W.:BRO. CHARLES W. STITES	LAKE BENTON	JUNIOR GRAND STEWARD
W.:BRO. E. H. SHERWIN	MONTICELLO	GRAND PURSUIVANT
W.:BRO. CHARLES J. KRUGER	ST. PAUL	GRAND TYLER

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

IRVING TODD, Hastings.	THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.
GEORGE N. HOUGHTON, Minneapolis.	

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

CHARLES GRISWOLD, North St. Paul, Chairman.	
WILLIAM B. PATTON, Duluth.	DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis.
WILLIAM R. SMITH, Benson.	JOHN H. SPROUT, Blue Earth.

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION WILL BE
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